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1907

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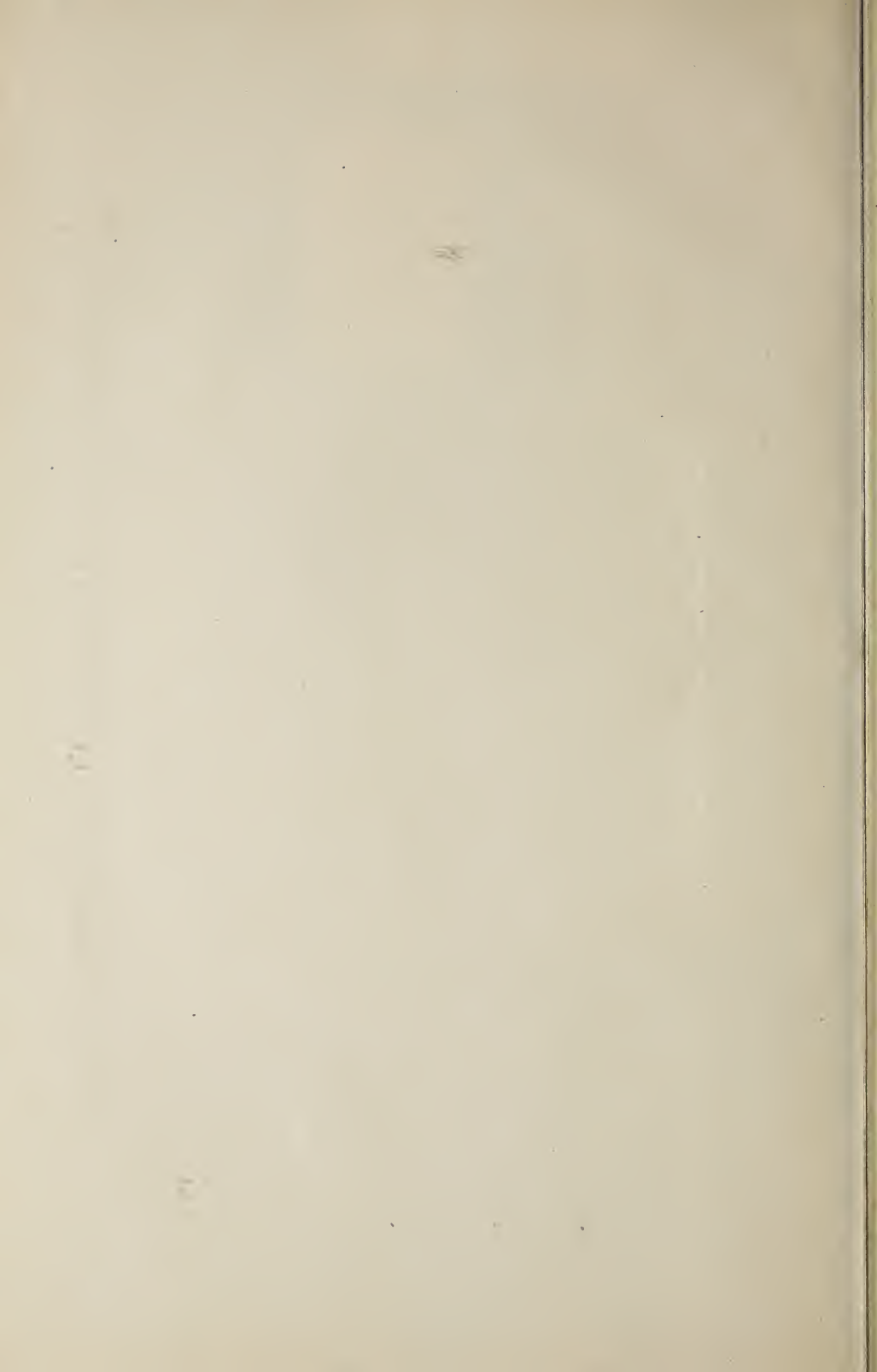


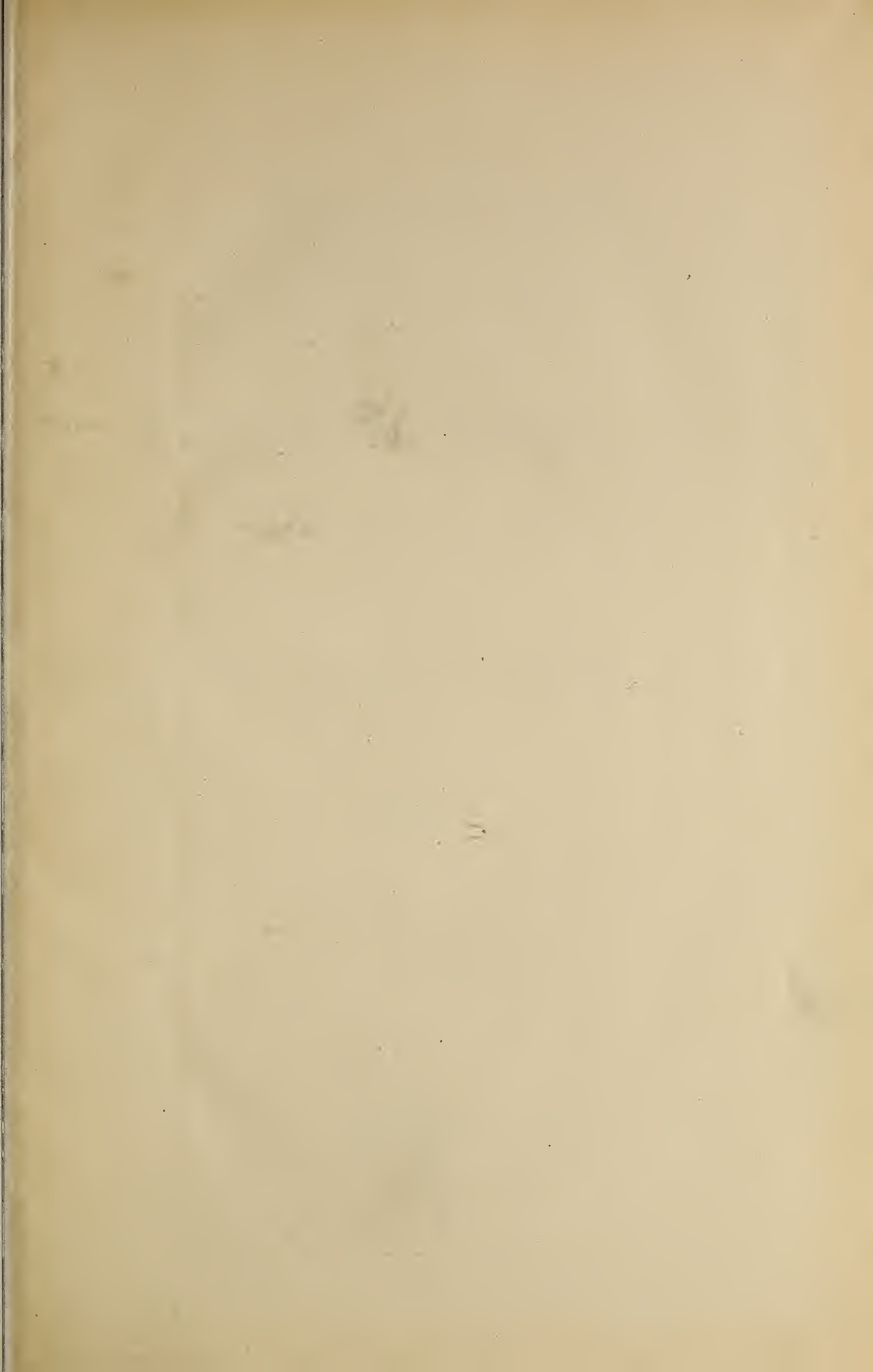
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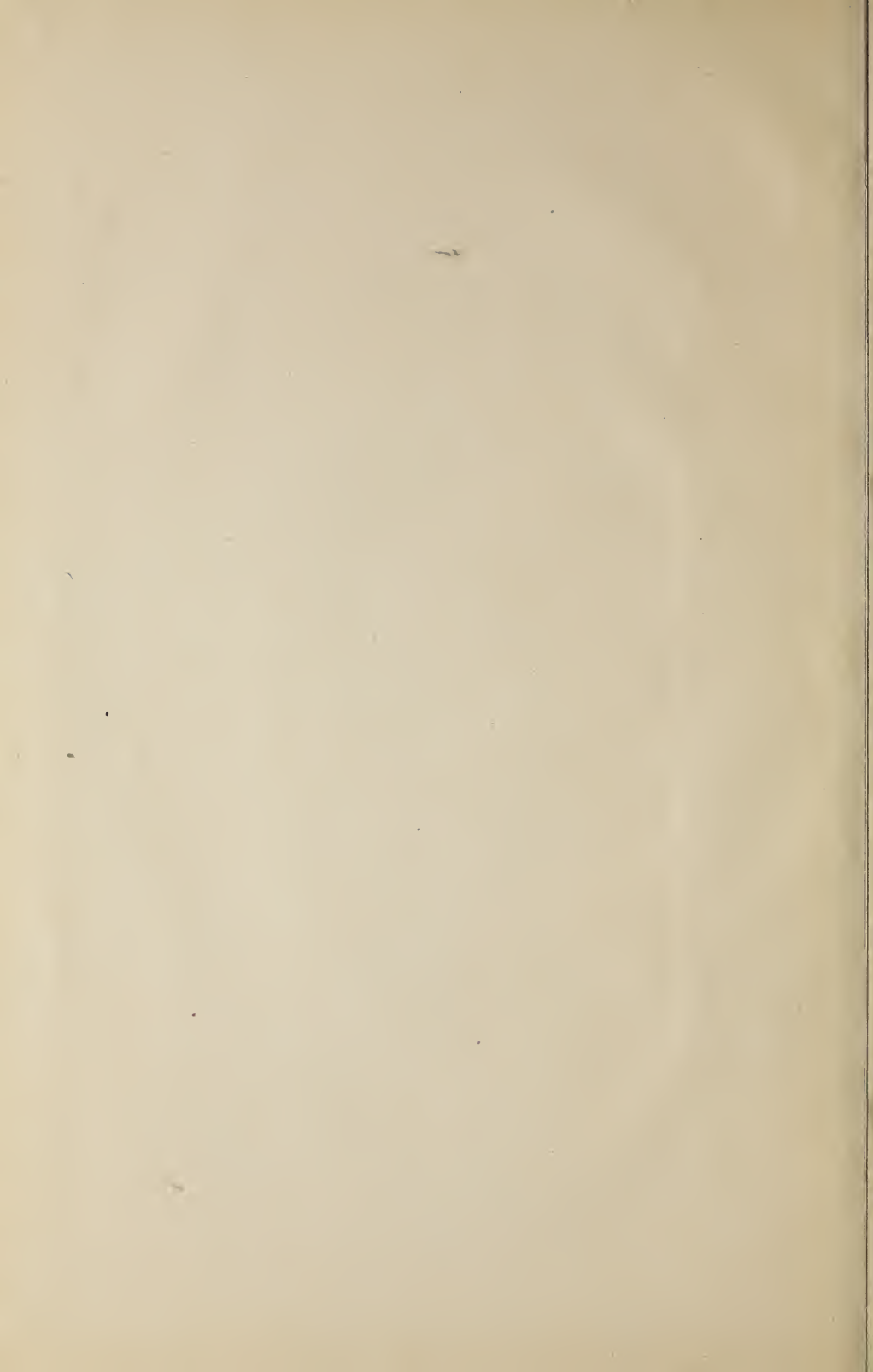
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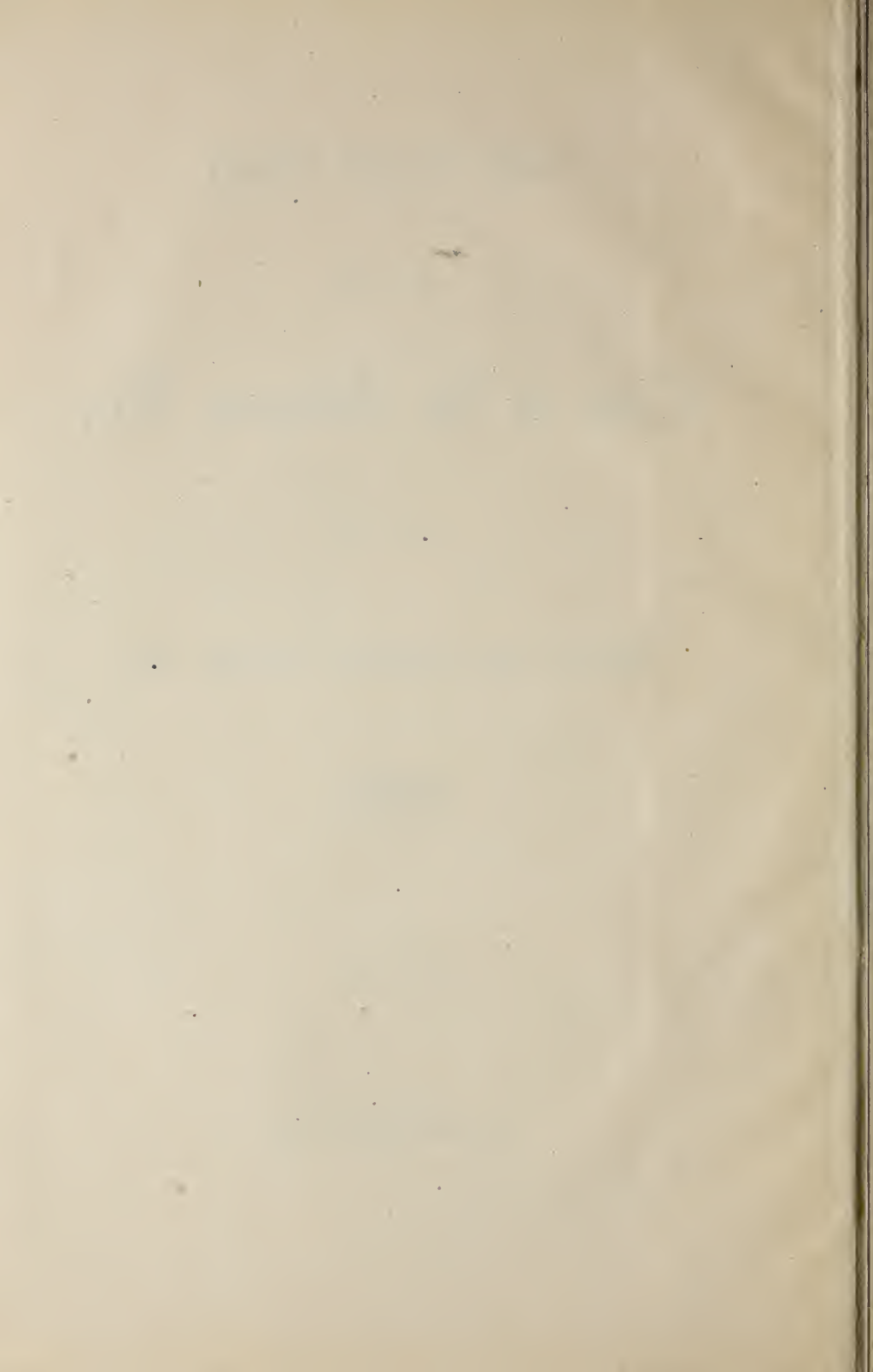
City of St. Albans, Vt.,

FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending January 31,

1907.

ST. ALBANS, VT.
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OFFICERS
OF THE
CITY OF ST. ALBANS.
1906.

CITY COUNCIL.

MAYOR.

H. ELMER WHEELER.

ALDERMEN.

- Ward 1. WILLIAM P. ELROD, (to Apr. 23, 1906.)
HIRAM M. MOTT, (from Apr. 23, 1906.)
- Ward 2. NAPOLEON J. JARVIS.
- Ward 3. PETER J. BELHUMEUR.
- Ward 4. NORMAN N. ATWOOD.
- Ward 5. A. WARREN CLARK.
- Ward 6. SUPLEIAN SAMPICA.

CITY OFFICERS.*City Clerk,*

B. MELVIN HOPKINS.

Assistant Clerk,

MARY A. WILLIAMS.

City Treasurer,

B. MELVIN HOPKINS.

Constable and Collector,

FRED DeMERS.

Superintendent Street and Water,

ERNEST H. FORTIN.

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

- Ward 1. GUY F. BARKER,
Ward 2. WILLIAM H. FINN,
Ward 3. ALEXANDER TUSCANY,
Ward 4. S. HALSTED WATKINS, *Chairman.*
Ward 5. HARDY L. REYNOLDS,
Ward 6. GEORGE W. LEPPER.

Principal of Schools.

FRANK J. SAGENDORPH, (to Jan. 1, 1907.)
JAMES A. AYERS, (from Jan. 1, 1907.)

City Attorney,

NATHAN N. POST.

Judge of City Court.

LEE S. TILLOTSON, (to Dec. 1, 1906.)

NATHAN N. POST, (from Dec. 1, 1906.)

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer,

A. WELLESLEY COOTE, (to Nov. 15, 1906.)

GEORGE P. DERICK, (from Nov. 15, 1906.)

First Assistant,

CHARLES W. BUCKLEY.

Second Assistant,

FRANK E. McARTHUR.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Policemen,

JOHN F. MAHONEY, (*Chief.*)

PATRICK T. FITZGERALD.

Truant Officer,

JOHN F. MAHONEY.

LISTERS.

J. H. CUMMINGS,
F. H. DEWART,
J. G. KEENAN.

AUDITORS.

A. W. ROBINSON,
H. W. HATCH,
A. C. S. BEEMAN.

OVERSEER OF POOR.

NAPOLEON J. JARVIS.

UNITED STATES DEPOSIT FUND.

FRANCIS J. HOUGHTON.

CITY GRAND JURORS.

N. N. POST (to December 1, 1906.)
A. H. GEORGE (from December 1, 1906.)
E. M. BLAKE.
G. C. STEVENS.

HEALTH OFFICER.

Dr. A. A. CLAFLIN, (to July 1, 1906.)

Dr. A. O. MORTON, (from July 1, 1906.)

JANITOR CITY HALL AND LIBRARY BUILDING.

LUCIUS A. CURTIS.

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE FOR 1906.

HENRY M. STEVENS,

SILAS W. FLINN,

FULLER C. SMITH,

DANIEL S. DANFORTH,

MICHAEL F. SULLIVAN,

JOHN G. KEENAN,

JOHN KEARNEY,

WILLIAM H. FINN,

HIRAM P. DEE,

SELDEN S. WATSON,

CHAUNCEY G. AUSTIN, Jr.,

JOSEPH SHILVOCK,

JOSEPH I. MILO,

ARCADE OLIGNY,

JEREMIAH F. O'NEILL.

STANDING COMMITTEES, CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

Legislation,

MAYOR H. E. WHEELER, (*ex-officio*), N. N. ATWOOD.
H. M. MOTT.

Finance,

ALDERMEN N. N. ATWOOD, H. M. MOTT, P. J. BELHUMEUR.

Streets,

ALDERMEN A. W. CLARK, N. J. JARVIS, H. M. MOTT.

Sidewalks,

ALDERMEN SUPLEIAN SAMPICA, N. J. JARVIS, N. N. ATWOOD.

Sewers,

ALDERMEN H. M. MOTT, N. N. ATWOOD, P. J. BELHUMEUR.

Water,

ALDERMEN N. J. JARVIS, A. W. CLARK, SUPLEIAN SAMPICA.

Fire,

ALDERMEN H. M. MOTT, P. J. BELHUMEUR, A. W. CLARK.

Police,

ALDERMEN P. J. BELHUMEUR, SUPLEIAN SAMPICA,
N. N. ATWOOD.

Charities and Corrections,

ALDERMEN N. N. ATWOOD, P. J. BELHUMEUR, SUPLEIAN
SAMPICA.

Lights,

ALDERMEN SUPLEIAN SAMPICA, H. M. MOTT, N. J. JARVIS.

Railroads and Public Franchises,

ALDERMEN H. M. MOTT, A. W. CLARK, N. J. JARVIS.

City Property,

ALDERMEN P. J. BELHUMEUR, N. N. ATWOOD, H. M. MOTT.

Salaries,

ALDERMEN A. W. CLARK, N. J. JARVIS, P. J. BELHUMEUR.

Health and Nuisances,

ALDERMEN SUPLEIAN SAMPICA, P. J. BELHUMEUR, H. M. MOTT.

Printing,

ALDERMEN P. J. BELHUMEUR, SUPLEIAN SAMPICA, A. W. CLARK.

Licenses,

ALDERMEN N. J. JARVIS, SUPLEIAN SAMPICA, P. J. BELHUMEUR.

REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1906.

FRANKLIN H. DEWART.

MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

March 12, 1906.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of St Albans:

At the threshold of this year's work, I deem it wise to lay before you such matters as will enable and help you to the wise and economic government of the city and management of its affairs for the ensuing year. The people of this city have the right to expect that we will bring to the conduct of our respective offices the best judgment and ability we possess. If we accept these offices, we must expect, as honest and conscientious men, to give such time to the discharge of our duties as the interests of the city demand. This means some sacrifice on our part. Nevertheless, it is our duty, under the trust reposed in us by our constituents.

Like an individual, the city has a certain income from taxation, water rents, etc. It likewise, has certain fixed charges and certain necessary expenses, if the wheels of government are to move at all. Like an individual, its expenditures, necessary and fixed, and of the permanent improvement character, should be governed by the amount of income. In all cases we should measure the amount of permanent improvement by the amount of money we have to expend therefor and not run the city in debt, without an expressed public sentiment in favor of so doing. If the citizens desire us to make extensive permanent improve-

ments on streets and sidewalks or in laying new water mains, by bonding or otherwise, they will furnish us with the means so to do. Unless they do so, we are confined to the limit of our ordinary income. We are to judiciously, carefully and economically expend this where it will do the most good. Any citizen who looks into the finances of the city must know, that, after paying the bonded indebtedness and interest, the amount the law provides shall be appropriated for schools and the other necessary and fixed charges, we have a comparatively small sum for permanent improvements. We should carefully look over our probable income for the year, deduct therefrom the fixed charges and necessary expenses, and an amount sufficient to pay the outstanding indebtedness, and judge of the sum we shall have to expend on streets, sidewalks and for the water department, and keep the expenditures in these departments within the amount so determined. In order to do this, we must practice the strictest economy. Let it be our aim financially to pay off the present outstanding indebtedness and come out even at the end of the year. If you do this, and do what your means will allow on streets, sidewalks and in the water department, I think you can rest assured of the commendation of all thoughtful citizens. When this is accomplished and the year commenced without outstanding indebtedness, a creditable amount of permanent improvement can be accomplished each year without adding to our bonded indebtedness. At the commencement of Mayor George's term two years ago there was a large amount of outstanding indebtedness. It was decreased during his term. Last year it was further decreased, until now it has reached a point where it can be wiped out this year, if we are careful and prudent. Let us look carefully to the keys of our treasury and bar out all extravagance. In public as well as private affairs, prudence and economy should be commended, wastefulness and extravagance censured.

The outstanding indebtedness of the city, February 1, 1906, was \$6,013.90. There is also outstanding a warrant to the Peoples Trust Co., issued September 22, 1899, for \$1,966.43. Both these sums should be paid as above.

I deem it wise for me to give you an estimate of the probable income for the ensuing year. In order to have the income, in all its items, come up to the estimate, you will have to insist on the collection of the back taxes and water rents, as well as those hereafter coming due.

I have also made an estimate of the probable expenditures under the various headings, based upon the idea of carrying out the principle laid down above, the paying up of all outstanding indebtedness and coming out even at the end of the year. Some of the items are fixed charges, like bonded debt and interest, etc., and cannot be varied. From an examination of the reports of past years, you will see that the necessary expenditures in some departments run along about the same from year to year and have come to be looked upon in about the same light as fixed charges. Others, like expenditures in the water, street, and sidewalk departments, depend upon the amount of money we have to expend for those purposes and are elastic, depending upon circumstances. I estimate that the income for this year will be about as follows:

From taxes paid to treasurer.	\$66,500.00
“ water rents	15,500.00
“ $\frac{1}{2}$ license fees (liquor) ..	2,000.00
“ rents of city hall	700.00
“ dog licenses	150.00
“ collectors of taxes	3,442.72
	<hr/> \$88,292.72

With the idea above set forth in mind, I estimate the various departments, aside from those of water, streets, and sidewalks, will require for the ensuing year as follows:

Bonded debt	\$16,946.55
Interest on bonded debt.....	5,887.20
Salaries	1,500.00
Fire department	4,000.00
Care of park	300.00
Printing and stationery	600.00
Schools, 45 per cent. of grand list.....	16,311.54
State school tax.....	2,900.00
State highway tax.....	1,812.00
Lighting streets and clock.....	6,850.00
Charities and corrections.....	1,500.00
Sheldon Poor House Association.....	2,200.00
Police	1,200.00
City property	2,500.00
Public library	800.00
Health department	300.00
Hospital appropriation	500.00
Cemetery appropriation	75.00
Memorial day	80.00
Liquor commissioners' fees.....	200.00
County tax	350.00
Legal expenses and damage claims.....	1,000.00
Interest on temporary loans.....	500.00
Miscellaneous	1,000.00
Outstanding bills	6,014.00
Trust Co. warrant, September 22, 1899...	1,966.43

\$77,292.72

This would leave \$11,000 to be appropriated for the departments of water, streets, sewers, and sidewalks.

When the various committees are appointed, they are responsible to the council and the people for the proper conduct of their department. When we come to make the appropriations for each department, each committee will know just what the council sets aside for that department, and under the charter and ordinances that committee has no right to expend more than that sum without a further appropriation by the council. An extreme laxness and misapprehension in this respect has, in previous years, been manifested by committees. If the committee of each department would consider the matter in the same light they would if it were their own private business affair, there would be no trouble. Let the committee get together at the commencement of the term, know how much money is to be expended in their department under the appropriation, make careful plans for its expenditure for the best interests of the city, having in mind that they cannot pay out more than they have. Let me suggest, also, that the chairman of each committee should keep an account himself of the expenditures in his department, so that the committee may know how matters stand at any time. If a purchase of a large amount,—like, for instance, of five or six hundred feet of pipe for the water department, is necessary, this should be referred by the committee to the council and its purchase authorized. In the street department, if there is sufficient money to make permanent improvement, the committee should recommend to the council the laying of a certain piece of permanent road, give an estimate of its cost, and have the council order the same. The matter of smaller details should be left to the committee, the matter of large purchases and work of magnitude should be authorized by the council. I mention these as illustrations of the idea.

I wish again this year to call your attention to the requisition system. Under the city ordinances, this is the only safe

and correct way to do business, and I sincerely trust the council will demand its enforcement. I refer you to chapter six of the ordinances.

Again, I wish to call attention to the matter of the enforcement of the collection of back taxes and water rents. In my message last year, I considered these matters at considerable length. What I said then applies with even greater force this year. I would refer you to my message of last year, found on the first pages of last year's report. The taxpayers of this city, March 6th, expressed their wish and desire in this regard, and demand of you and the collectors the collection of these back taxes. If you take a stand in this respect, be consistent and see that the stand you take is carried out, otherwise, it is boys' play.

The council of last year, on petition, ordered the laying of two sewers, one on Lake Street, and the other on South Main Street, and considerable work has been done on the latter. This should be completed and the Lake Street sewer should be laid as soon as possible. This costs the city nothing, as the abutters bear the expense.

In the performance of our duty we shall find differences of opinion. Express your opinions freely and fully, but when you find yourself outweighed cheerfully bow to the will of the majority. Let no personalities or animosities enter into your discussions or relations with each other. Let not partisanship or unjust prejudice enter into your deliberations. Let everything we do, be done with an eye single to the public good.

H. ELMER WHEELER,

Mayor

March 12, 1906.

EXECUTIVE REPORT.

To the Taxpayers of St. Albans City:—

In submitting my report at the end of this fiscal year, I wish to call attention to the excellent financial condition in which we find ourselves. At the commencement of our term two years ago, we found a large floating indebtedness. At the close of this fiscal year, and when we turn over the reins of government to our successors, we find this wiped out, the slate clean, and with money enough in the treasury to meet all governmental expenditures for a considerable time.

The liabilities and assets of the city as of February 1, 1907, exclusive of the bonded indebtedness, are as follows:—

LIABILITIES.

Sheldon Poor House assessment, due Feb. 15, 1907,	\$2,937.39
Balance due school fund,	74.00
Outstanding bills,	685.71
Surplus,	11,458.00
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	\$15,155.10

ASSETS.

Unpaid taxes of 1898,	\$ 529.47
Unpaid taxes of 1898 (Fire station),	336.86
Unpaid taxes of 1899,	62.47
Unpaid taxes of 1900,	150.98
Unpaid taxes of 1901,	258.59
Unpaid taxes of 1902,	434.59
Unpaid taxes of 1903,	742.49
Unpaid taxes of 1903, (Elm street School),	134.12
Unpaid taxes of 1904,	936.37
Unpaid taxes of 1905,	1,226.62
Unpaid taxes of 1906,	2,210.86
Taxes collected amount not turned over,	112.19
Hall rents including Co. B.,	370.00
Sewer assessments,	231.99
City property account,	9.50
St. Albans Street Railway, (Crushed stone, 1906),	94.50
St. Albans Street Railway, (Undoubtedly worthless),	1,061.76
Unpaid water rents,	500.00
Cash on hand,	5,714.75
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	\$15,155.10

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

BONDED DEBT:

Bonds of the town of St. Albans (issued to refund the Missisquoi Railroad bonds of 1870) dated July 1st, 1890, bearing interest at the rate of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. payable July and January.

Principal payable \$5,000 annually, July 1st.

City's proportion of principal is	\$3,946.55
Town's proportion of principal is	1,053.45
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	\$5,000.00

Total outstanding.		
July 1, 1907.	To be paid by the city,	\$3,946.55
July 1, 1907.	To be paid by the town,	1,053.45
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		\$5,000.00
July 1, 1907.	Interest to be paid by the city,	\$69.07
July 1, 1907.	Interest to be paid by the town,	18.43
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		\$87.50

The foregoing relates wholly to the principal and interest of the Missisquoi Railroad bonds, for the payment of which the city and town are jointly holden.

The basis of proportion to be paid by each municipality as fixed by agreement dated August 12, 1899, is

City of St. Albans,	78,931 per cent.
Town of St. Albans,	21,069 per cent.

The bonded debt of the City of St. Albans, is as follows:
City's proportion of town bonds of 1890 as per agreement of August 12, 1899, between the town and city,

\$3,946.55

Refunding water loan bonds issued by the village of St. Albans, October 1, 1890, bearing 4 per cent. interest, payable October and April. Principal payable \$5,000 annually on the first day of October. Now outstanding,

13,000.00

Water loan bonds of the village of St. Albans dated December 1, 1892, bearing 4 per cent. interest, payable December and June. Principal payable \$5,000 annually December 1st. Now outstanding,

23,000.00

Refunding water loan bonds issued by the village of St. Albans, March 31, 1894, at 4 per cent. interest, payable April and October. Principal payable \$2,000 annually on the first day of April. Now outstanding,	21,000.00
School district funding bonds issued by the St. Albans Academy and Graded School, December 30th, 1896, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent., payable December and June. Principal payable \$1,000 annually on December 30th. Now outstanding,	15,000.00
Town funding bonds (issued by the town of St. Albans to fund the town hall debt) dated February 1, 1897, bearing 4 per cent. interest, payable February and August. Principal payable \$5,000 February 1, 1908, and \$5,000 annually thereafter. Amount outstanding assumed by the city,	35,000.00
Public improvement bonds issued by the City of St. Albans, November 2, 1903, bearing interest at 4 per cent., payable annually. Principal \$7,000 payable November 2, 1923,	7,000.00
Public improvement bonds issued by the City of St. Albans, May 2, 1904, bearing interest at 4 per cent. annually. Principal \$7,000, payable May 2, 1924,	7,000.00
Sidewalk bonds issued by the City of St. Albans dated June 7, 1905, bearing 4 per cent. interest annually. Principal \$7,000 payable June 7, 1925,	7,000.00

It will be seen by the foregoing statement that the total bonded indebtedness of the city is \$133,946.55.

State School tax,	\$2,937.36
State Highway tax,	1,835.87
County tax,	367.17

FIXED CHARGES.

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31st, 1908.

1907.

Apr.	1	Village bonds of 1894,	\$ 2,000.00
July	1	Town bonds of 1890,	3,946.55
		Total \$5,000.00, Town's proportion, \$1,053.45.	
Oct.	1	Village bonds of 1890,	5,000.00
Dec.	1	Village bonds of 1892,	5,000.00
	30	School bonds of 1896,	1,000.00
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			\$16,946.55

INTEREST PAYABLE.

Apr.	1	Village bonds of 1890,	\$ 300.00
		Village bonds of 1894,	420.00
May	2	Public improvement bonds of 1904,	280.00
June	1	Village bonds of 1892,	460.00
	7	Public improvement bonds (sidewalks) of 1905,	280.00
	30	School bonds of 1896,	300.00
July	1	Town of St. Albans bonds of 1890,	69.07
		Total \$87.50, Town's proportion \$18.43.	
Aug.	1	Town hall bonds of 1897,	700.00
Oct.	1	Village bonds of 1890,	300.00
		Village bonds of 1894,	380.00

Nov.	2	Public improvement bonds of 1903,	\$280.00
Dec.	1	Village bonds of 1892,	460.00
	30	School bonds of 1896,	300.00
	1908.		
Feb.	1	Town hall bonds of 1897,	700.00
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			\$5,229.07

WATER.

The past season was very dry and one to test to the utmost the supply capacity of the water systems of the villages and cities of Vermont. Many villages and cities theretofore having a sufficiency of water for all purposes found themselves confronted last season with an inadequacy, in some instances reaching the point of danger of water famine. Reference to the report of the water commissioner, detailing the condition of the reservoirs during the season, will show we had an abundant supply at all times. Last season's test demonstrates the truthfulness of the statement made by me in my last report, in dealing with the question of water supply, when I said, "The water supply is sufficient if properly looked after and proper care taken that the waste be reduced to the minimum." The waste at the well house and at other places at the reservoirs has been stopped by much needed repairs, and the supply conserved in all ways possible. There was some complaint last summer about the offensive taste of the water. On investigation, we found this to arise from the growth of algae in the lower reservoir. We spent considerable money in partially cleaning out the lower reservoir, very materially bettering its condition in this respect; but we could not fully complete this work because there was no way of supplying the city with water from the upper reservoir without carrying it through the lower reser-

voir. Of course the lower reservoir could not be completely cleaned and gone over without taking therefrom all the water therein. The remainder of the lower reservoir should be gone over and completely cleaned during the next season, after which I think the offensive taste and smell of the water will entirely disappear. This will necessitate the laying of a pipe line from the upper reservoir to the main pipe line below the lower reservoir gate house. This should have been done when the upper reservoir was constructed, but it was not. Those acquainted with the location of the reservoirs will recognize other reasons than the above for a direct and separate connection between the upper reservoir and the main pipe line supplying the city. I would recommend that this line of pipe be laid next season. I wish here to reiterate what I said in my last report about the old cement water pipe and the sewer pipe and the laying of permanent roads over the same. The same statement, also, will apply to the old pipe lines of the Gas Co. This department has been well looked after during the past year, and I refer you to the report of the water commissioner for the details.

STREETS AND SEWERS.

By reference to the report of the superintendent of streets you will find we have put in two new pieces of permanent road and have kept the other roads of the city in repair, going over the dirt streets as we did last year. Had we not paid the warrant of 1899 to the Peoples Trust Co., we could have paid all the old outstanding bills and have come out even at the end of this fiscal year and put five thousand dollars more into permanent road work during the past year, but, in view of the probable expenditure of a large sum of money in putting our streets and sewers into first-class condition along the line of some systematic plan, and the probability that if such work was done it would

commence next season, and the fact that the expenditure of this five thousand dollars in connection with the expenditures along the line of the systemized plan would, in our judgment, be of more benefit to the city than if expended by us in a way that would not be along such line, because we could not know what plan might be followed, we thought it wise and best to pay this old warrant and leave the remainder in the treasury. If the voters should not approve of the idea of the improvements on the scale and along the line advocated by a goodly portion of our citizens, this five thousand dollars can be used by our successors in office in the doing of permanent work next season, over and above what they could naturally do without it. Under the circumstances, we think the course pursued by us in this respect will commend itself to you.

The report of the superintendent will show where new sewers have been constructed. Work on the South Main Street sewer was stopped at the commencement of cold weather in the fall of 1905. It has not been deemed advisable to proceed with this sewer during last season, so that it has not been completed. No assessment has been made because the sewer has not been completed as ordered laid by the council of 1905-6. This sewer should be completed. The condition as to sewage there still continues a menace to public health. Ideas as to the solution of the sewage question on this part of South Main Street differ, but it should be solved and the condition relieved.

I here take occasion to commend the work of the superintendent of streets and water during the last year.

POLICE.

The mayor reappointed J. F. Mahoney, chief of police, and Patrick Fitzgerald, policeman, and they have been continued through the year. Again, I take occasion to speak in the highest

terms of the efficiency of this department and the conduct of the policemen. In the two years of their service under my appointment, not one complaint has been received, or even an intimation from any source, of any misconduct in the administration of this department. This fact of itself speaks in the highest terms of the conduct of these policemen in the performance of duty. The report of the chief of police will show the net expense of this department to be small in comparison with the service performed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

I can but speak in the highest terms of the conduct of this department. I commend to the attention of the taxpayers and the incoming council the recommendations of the chief engineer. When these additions to the department are made, we can point to this department as the equal of any fire department in our country.

SCHOOLS.

I would commend to the voters a careful reading of the report of the board of school commissioners. The conditions existing in the school buildings referred to in the report should be at once remedied, and it is obvious to any one at all informed as to the necessary expenditures in maintaining the schools at the standard desired, that it will be impossible to take the expense of these repairs from the school fund as now constituted. If these repairs are to be made, the expense thereof will have to be met by a special appropriation. Under the Permanent Public School Fund Act, No. 54, Acts of 1906, the income from the U. S. Deposit Fund and the Huntington Fund is to be paid into the state treasury, not as heretofore paid into our school fund. Whether what will be paid to us by the state from the income

from the permanent Public School Fund will equal what has heretofore been received from the U. S. Deposit Fund and the Huntington Fund is questionable. If not, the amount available under the law for school purposes will be lessened that much. Our schools should be fostered and the present standard of excellence maintained and advanced. I again commend to you a careful consideration of this subject.

POOR.

The same general line of conduct with regard to the care of the poor has been pursued this year as that of the previous year. The poor have been well cared for and the expense has been moderate. We have continued to send to the poor house all persons who were a continued charge upon the city.

LITIGATION.

For some reason litigation seems to have become unpopular. The city is free from lawsuits and has had no litigation of any description during the last year. Our legal services and expenses have been confined to the small salary paid the city attorney.

FINANCIAL.

The council has endeavored this year to keep the expenditures well within the limits of income, and also to pay up all outstanding indebtedness and leave the slate clean at the end of the fiscal year. The report of the finance committee shows that we have during the last year paid up all outstanding bills, paid the warrant of September 22, 1899, to the Peoples Trust Co., amounting to \$2,051.88, have money in the treasury to pay all our own bills received too late to be approved by the finance

committee before the books closed January 31st, and to pay the Sheldon Poor House Association assessment, due February 15, 1907, (which does not properly come within the accounts of the last fiscal year but belongs to next year's account) amounting to \$2,937.39, and we have, in cash, over and above this, a net surplus of over \$2,000.00 for our successors to use next year. To be added to this amount are bills due the city, as shown in my report of assets and liabilities. If you will go over carefully what has been done the last year by the council, I think you will find each department has been well cared for, and that this saving has resulted from the cutting off of useless expenditures and by economies in numerous small details.

CONCLUSION.

The utmost harmony has prevailed in the city council, in all the departments and among all the employees of the city. I wish at this time, to thank the aldermen, all city officials and employees and the citizens at large for their uniform kind and courteous treatment of me in the performance of the difficult duties of my office.

The usual reports of city officers and others follow:

Respectfully submitted,

H. ELMER WHEELER,

Mayor.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Honorable City Council:

Your committee on finance respectfully submits the following annual report in accordance with the requirements of the charter and the ordinances of the City of St. Albans.

From our experience of the expenditures of the past year, and a careful examination of its present financial condition and obligations for fixed charges and current expenditures, we estimate for the guidance of the incoming committee that a fund covering the following tabulated appropriations should be raised for the ensuing financial year, viz:—

Salaries,	\$1,300.00
Fire department,	4,000.00
Care of park,	300.00
Printing and stationery,	600.00
Charities and corrections,	3,500.00
Schools,	16,522.84
Water department,	3,000.00
Street department,	5,500.00
Sewer department,	1,000.00
Sidewalks,	1,700.00
Bonded debt,	16,946.55
Interest bonded debt,	5,229.07
City property,	2,500.00
Police department,	1,200.00

Health department,	\$300.00
Lights,	6,800.00
Care of clock,	40.00
Memorial day,	80.00
Outstanding bills,	3,697.10
Hospital,	500.00
Miscellaneous,	1,000.00
County tax,	367.17
State highway tax,	1,835.87
State school tax,	2,937.36
Interest on temporary loan,	500.00
Public library,	750.00
Liquor commissioners,	200.00
Costs of city court,	500.00
Legal expense and damage claims,	500.00

\$83,305.96

These figures are based on the fact that your committee has paid the outstanding bills left at the close of the previous fiscal year ending January 31st, 1906, amounting to \$7,980.33, and including the warrant issued to the Peoples Trust Company of St. Albans, September 22, 1899, for settlement with the old town of St. Albans, and amounting with interest to \$2,051.88.

The unpaid liabilities are as follows:—

Sheldon Poor House Association, assessment,	\$2,937.39
Balance due schools,	74.00
Miscellaneous outstanding bills,	685.71
(Received too late to be approved at last meeting before February 1st, 1907.)	

\$3,697.10

And the Treasurer has on hand cash to the amount of \$5,714.75 which will liquidate all these liabilities and leave a net surplus of \$2,017.65, whereas we began the year with outstanding bills of \$7,980.33, and \$643.82 in cash on hand.

The detailed statement of the Treasurer which follows your Committee's report gives you the receipts and disbursements for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

N. N. ATWOOD,

P. J. BELHUMEUR,

Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT..

ACCOUNT CURRENT, FROM FEBRUARY 1ST, 1906, TO JANUARY 31ST,
1907, INCLUSIVE.

RECEIPTS.

To cash on hand,	\$ 643.82
“ collector of taxes,	1,754.84
“ fines and costs,	74.10
“ street department,	51.40
“ water department,	3.00
“ sewer department,	275.21
“ school tuitions,	1,072.75
“ water rents,	15,716.69
“ dog licenses,	199.30
“ other licenses,	4,935.50
“ rent,	891.00
“ taxes paid treasurer,	67,198.97
“ Huntington fund,	229.99
“ State school tax,	1,055.56
“ rent grammar school,	143.00
“ State highway tax,	130.37
“ U. S. deposit fund,	728.86
“ charities and corrections,	4.95
“ meters,	7.00
“ city property,	365.95

To cash police service,	\$413.25
“ fire department,	1.05
“ schools,	5.00
“ borrowed on warrants,	24,000.00
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	\$119,901.56

DISBURSEMENTS.

By paid salaries,	\$ 1,300.00
“ fire department,	4,020.36
“ care of park,	327.82
“ printing and stationery,	650.90
“ schools,	19,684.00
“ support of poor,	1,004.85
“ bills water department,	1,467.75
“ pay-rolls water department,	1,641.38
“ bills street department,	1,548.31
“ pay-rolls street department,	3,723.91
“ bills sewer department,	91.84
“ pay-roll sewer department,	706.21
“ sidewalks,	717.57
“ bonded debt,	16,946.55
“ interest bonded debt,	5,887.20
“ city property,	2,595.85
“ costs city court,	346.85
“ police service,	1,606.35
“ health department,	284.36
“ street lights,	5,917.94
“ light and care of clock,	79.22
“ Poor House Association,	2,174.87
“ Memorial Day,	80.00
“ outstanding bills,	3,526.89
“ miscellaneous,	1,395.57

By paid County tax,	\$362.28
“ State highway tax,	1,811.39
“ State school tax,	2,898.23
“ legal services,	166.67
“ Old Cemetery Association,	75.00
“ Hospital,	500.00
“ int. temporary loans,	624.99
“ public library,	741.25
“ liquor commissioners,	160.16
“ U. S. deposit fund,	728.86
“ one-half license fees to State,	2,425.00
“ warrants,	24,000.00
“ warrants No. 217,	1,966.43
To cash on hand,	5,714.75

\$119,901.56

SCHOOLS.

1906.

Mch. 15	By paid Warrant No. 621,	\$ 421.26
31	By paid Warrant No. 626,	2,000.00
May 1	By paid Warrant No. 632,	2,000.00
June 6	By paid Warrant No. 645,	2,000.00
27	By paid Warrant No. 648,	1,500.00
July 23	By paid Warrant No. 654,	1,500.00
Aug. 1	By paid Warrant No. 660,	800.00
Sept. 18	By paid Warrant No. 671,	2,000.00
Oct. 8	By paid Warrant No. 672,	2,000.00
Nov. 15	By paid Warrant No. 679,	2,000.00
Dec. 5	By paid Warrant No. 683,	1,500.00

1907.

Jan. 29	By paid Warrant No. 688,	1,962.74
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\$19,684.00

SALARIES.

1906.

B. Melvin Hopkins, treasurer February 1st, 1906, to February 1st, 1907,	\$1,300.00
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ST. ALBANS HOSPITAL.

1906.

Sept. 8 St. Albans Hospital, Warrant No. 664,	\$500.00
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CARE OF PARK.

1906.

Pay rolls from February 1st, 1906, to February 1st,	
1907,	\$287.50
May 7 Clark & Hatch,	1.13
Aug. 15 Clark & Hatch,	2.15
Clark & Hatch,	.80
W. B. Fonda,	14.14
S. C. Greene,	1.50
M. E. Devarney,	.60
J. J. Hunt,	20.00
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	\$327.82

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

1906.

Mch. 1 St. Albans Messenger Co.,	\$ 2.35
St. Albans Messenger Co.,	237.93
31 St. Albans Messenger Co.,	96.35
May 1 St. Albans Messenger Co.,	41.35

Aug. 15	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	\$ 28.05
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	58.90
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	24.50
	C. W. Buckley,	2.00
Sept. 1	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	33.00
Oct. 1	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	31.80
Nov. 1	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	73.67
1907.		
Jan. 31	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	21.00
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		\$650.90

SEWER CONSTRUCTION BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

1906.

Feb. 28	E. Suprenant,	\$ 3.20
May 1	Clark & Hatch,	3.77
	E. Suprenant,	5.95
	St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	.86
June 1	E. Suprenant,	5.00
Aug. 15	St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	39.00
	James Handley,	.75
	W. B. Fonda,	22.42
	Clark & Hatch,	5.60
	W. B. Fonda,	3.60
Nov. 1	Clark & Hatch,	.64
Dec. 1	M. E. Devarney,	1.05
Pay rolls from February 1, 1906 to February		
1, 1907,		706.21
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		\$798.05

 CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

1906.	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of January, outstanding),	\$ 74.15
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of February),	77.46
	N. J. Jarvis, bal. of salary for year ending March 5, 1906,	125.00
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of March),	106.48
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of April),	55.64
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of May),	21.11
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of June),	11.28
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of July),	17.86
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of August),	13.02
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of September),	7.99
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of October),	37.32
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of November),	68.01
	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of December),	64.17
1907.	N. J. Jarvis, (poor account mo. of January),	85.40
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		\$691.74
Salary of City Physician from February 1, 1906 to January 1, 1907,		
	Dr. I. S. Brault,	\$174.66
	Dr. A. O. Morton,	8.60
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		183.26
Sept. 24	F. C. Smith, (clothing, etc., blind Rose Story),	\$15.97
Jan. 1	Mrs. F. C Smith, (clothing, etc., blind Rose Story),	11.98
	B. F. Kelley, (board of tramps),	27.75
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		\$55.70

WATER DEPARTMENT BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

1906.

Feb.	I	N. J. Jarvis,	\$ 3.00
Mch.	I	H. W. Ballard,	37.50
		E. Suprenant,	3.20
		E. Laflam,	50.00
Apr.	I	H. W. Ballard,	37.50
		St. Albans Foundry Co.,	20.64
		J. M. Leahey,	5.31
		E. H. Fortin,	26.25
		J. E. Coburn,	.25
		E. Suprenant,	2.10
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.16
May	I	Bostwick Bros.,	1.30
		S. C. Greene,	1.32
		H. W. Ballard,	2.50
June	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		T. M. King, Agt.,	.68
		E. Suprenant,	6.95
July	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
Aug.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		H. B. Weeks,	14.20
		H. B. Weeks,	14.56
		P. Mitchell,	6.50
		Geo. E. Gilchrist,	14.39
		Geo. E. Gilchrist,	3.50
		Rensselaer Manufacturing Co.,	201.50
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	.15
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	.15
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	15.40
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	7.96
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
		H. B. Weeks,	6.70

Aug.	I	H. B. Weeks,	\$ 26.30
		Clark & Hatch,	.50
		Clark & Hatch,	8.65
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.46
		Point Farm,	9.64
		Point Farm,	10.50
		Point Farm,	16.77
		S. C. Greene,	37.77
		S. C. Greene,	1.52
		Bostwick Bros.,	3.98
		Bostwick Bros.,	1.90
		Bostwick Bros.,	1.95
		A. S. Hyde & Son,	3.82
		E. Suprenant,	5.25
		J. E. Coburn,	3.00
Sept.	I	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	1.70
		W. B. Fonda,	3.78
		Point Farm,	5.00
		Bostwick Bros.,	1.50
		J. B. Foss,	4.29
		H. B. Weeks,	14.56
		E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		S. C. Greene,	9.49
		Jarecki Manufacturing Co.,	26.04
		St. Albans Foundry Co.,	.30
		E. Suprenant,	2.00
		T. Arthur Irvine,	.75
		J. E. Coburn,	2.00
		American Express Co.,	1.10
		American Express Co.,	.80
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
Oct.	I	T. Arthur Irvine,	2.88
		George T. Childs, P. M.,	1.06
		Central Vermont Ry. Co.,	1.63

Oct.	I	E. H. Fortin,	\$ 35.00
Nov.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		W. B. Fonda,	58.37
		H. B. Weeks,	8.00
		S. C. Greene,	8.95
		Clark & Hatch,	6.10
		Clark & Hatch,	3.29
		St. Albans Messenger Co.,	2.25
		St. Albans Messenger Co.,	6.50
		Frank Charron,	.50
		W. B. Fonda,	13.56
		H. B. Weeks,	7.00
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
		T. Arthur Irvine,	3.00
		E. Suprenant,	1.50
		Point Farm,	5.60
		Point Farm,	7.32
		Clark & Hatch,	19.04
		E. H. Fortin,	35.00
Dec.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		City Feed Co.,	13.46
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.16
		T. A. Irvine,	3.50
		Point Farm,	13.50
		Clark & Hatch,	5.38
		E. Suprenant,	2.80
		J. J. Hunt,	2.00
		Chadwick Boston Lead Co.,	42.52
		B. H. Stone,	1.35
		C. V. Ry. Co.,	4.68
		J. B. Foss,	4.94
		St. Albans Foundry Co.,	.30

1907.		
Jan.	I	T. A. Irvine, .25
		St. Albans Foundry Co., .30
		E. H. Fortin, 35.00
		S. C. Greene, 12.35
		C. H. Hale, 4.60
		H. Mueller Manfg. Co., 17.55
		City of Burlington, Vt., 52.14
		E. Laflam, 4.50
		American Express Co., .75
		E. Suprenant, 11.05
		S. C. Greene, 26.22
		Franklin County Telephone Co., 2.08
		E. Suprenant, 3.80
		Point Farm, 10.00
		City Feed Co., 7.75
		City Feed Co., 7.00
		T. A. Irvine, 7.40
		Bostwick Bros., 17.01
		Bostwick Bros., .55
		J. B. Foss, 2.08
		E. D. Fuller, 7.00
		Pay rolls from February 1, 1906 to February
		1, 1907, 1,641.38
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		\$3,109.13

STREET DEPARTMENT BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

1906.		
Feb.	I	H. W. Ballard, \$ 37.50
		L. D. Smith, 6.00
		H. B. Weeks, 2.15
		H. B. Weeks, 6.50

Mch.	1	H. W. Ballard,	\$37.50
Apr.	1	E. H. Fortin,	26.25
		L. D. Smith,	22.23
		Franklin Co. Telephone Co.,	2.08
May	1	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		Clark & Hatch,	2.23
		H. W. Ballard,	2.50
		J. E. Coburn,	2.38
		Clark & Hatch,	1.70
		W. B. Fonda,	7.30
		T. M. King, Agt.,	.39
June	1	J. E. Coburn,	3.25
		American Express Co.,	3.12
July	1	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
Aug.	1	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		Central Vermont Ry. Co.,	1.15
		American Express Co.,	1.60
		E. Suprenant,	8.85
		Electric Light & Power Co.,	1.20
		J. E. Handley,	.75
		Central Vermont Ry. Co.,	1.82
		Ingersoll-Rand Co.,	5.00
		H. B. Weeks,	14.56
		H. B. Weeks,	17.41
		T. Mitchell,	125.00
		C. H. Hale,	27.33
		C. H. Hale,	47.49
		C. H. Hale,	67.65
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	5.05
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	1.80
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	3.85
		Bostwick Bros.,	123.23
		Bostwick Bros.,	49.22
		Bostwick Bros.,	72.86

Aug.	I	Point Farm,	\$ 9.65
		Point Farm,	16.78
		Point Farm,	12.90
		H. B. Weeks,	6.70
		H. B. Weeks,	14.10
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.16
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
		S. C. Greene,	5.50
		W. B. Fonda,	7.75
		Clark & Hatch,	8.50
		Clark & Hatch,	13.01
		J. E. Coburn,	4.00
		J. E. Coburn,	3.13
		W. D. Heald,	1.50
		T. Rocheford,	.25
Sept.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		H. B. Weeks,	14.56
		J. B. Foss,	3.42
		Bostwick Bros.,	4.55
		Point Farm,	5.00
		W. B. Fonda,	7.33
		Levi Perron,	1.00
		J. I. Milo,	6.25
		A. T. Thibault,	.40
		H. B. Weeks,	7.34
		Clark & Hatch,	2.85
Oct.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		Clark & Hatch,	1.95
		J. M. Votey,	210.00
		H. B. Weeks,	6.60
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
		E. Suprenant,	1.40
		T. A. Irvine,	2.26

Oct.	I	Point Farm,	\$ 5.62
		Point Farm,	7.31
Nov.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
Dec.	I	E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		City Feed Co.,	13.80
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
		T. A. Irvine,	2.40
		Point Farm,	10.00
		W. B. Fonda,	7.50
		J. B. Foss,	4.00

1907.

Jan.	I	F. H. Dewart,	13.50
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
		Clark & Hatch,	2.30
		E. Suprenant,	3.00
		T. A. Irvine,	6.00
		City Feed Co.,	7.00
		Point Farm,	7.74
		City Feed Co.,	6.80
		E. H. Fortin,	35.00
		Bostwick Bros.,	.50
		J. B. Foss,	2.00
		E. D. Fuller,	7.00

Pay rolls from February 1, 1906 to February

1, 1907,

3,723.91

\$5,272.22

SIDEWALK BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

1906.			
Mch.	1	L. D. Smith,	\$ 5.27
		H. B. Weeks,	6.50
		J. E. Coburn,	3.00
	31	J. E. Coburn,	2.00
		E. Suprenant,	1.00
		Bostwick Bros.,	.25
May	31	Bostwick Bros.,	3.13
		H. B. Weeks,	12.80
		Point Farm,	5.49
Aug.	15	Bostwick Bros.,	48.04
		Clark & Hatch,	2.35
Sept.	1	W. B. Fonda,	7.60
Dec.	1	Clark & Hatch,	1.60
		C. V. Ry. Co.,	5.42
		W. B. Fonda,	18.24
Jan.	1	Acme Road Machine Co.,	2.75
		City Feed Co.,	1.50
		Bostwick Bros.,	8.12
		Pay rolls from February 1, 1906 to February	
		1, 1907,	582.51
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			\$717.57

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

1906.			
Feb.	28	J. E. Coburn,	\$ 1.00
		Call Men,	43.10
		Electric Light & Power Co.,	9.58
		F. J. Houghton,	10.00
		J. Lawrence Duling,	12.00

Feb. 28	J. H. Cummings,	\$ 2.00
	A. Lapan,	5.24
	J. Kearney,	48.91
	Chas. Marchessault,	9.00
	Dr. A. A. Claflin,	19.88
	H. E. Blake,	5.00
	H. M. Stearns,	.50
	J. F. Mahoney,	2.00
	C. H. Cook,	2.05
	J. E. Coburn,	2.00
	J. E. Coburn,	2.90
	L. D. Smith,	7.00
	L. D. Smith,	7.00
	L. D. Smith,	7.45
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	612.95
	H. G. Morton,	43.55
	H. G. Morton,	100.00
	M. W. Fitzgerald,	101.50
	Warrant No. 612 (Schools),	1,500.00
	Dr. A. A. Skeels,	8.00
	J. W. Ryan,	24.00
	C. H. Hale,	5.06
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	72.44
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	24.58
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	8.32
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.16
	Bostwick Bros.,	17.02
	H. B. Weeks,	27.70
	A. S. Hyde & Son,	6.75
	W. B. Fonda,	20.55
	H. G. Folsom & Co.,	.20
	Central Vermont Ry. Co.,	25.00
	Est. of S. L. Griffith,	15.30
	Chas. Millar & Son Co.,	16.46

Feb. 28	R. A. Brush,	\$.68
	W. B. Fonda,	7.37
	W. B. Fonda,	97.37
	N. N. Atwood,	112.50
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	3.57
	Clark & Hatch,	3.50
	Clark & Hatch,	9.59
	Clark & Hatch,	9.58
	H. B. Weeks,	13.60
	Bedard & Carlisle,	1.95
	Franklin County Creamery Co.,	14.35
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	15.00
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
	J. W. Ryan,	3.33
	Bostwick Bros.,	1.35
	J. W. Ryan,	2.67
	F. F. Twitchell & Co.,	1.05
	Clark & Hatch,	1.83
	Clark & Hatch,	3.34
	Clark & Hatch,	2.80
	W. B. Fonda,	113.58
	W. B. Fonda,	2.30
	W. B. Fonda,	1.50
	W. B. Fonda,	6.00
	H. B. Weeks,	19.20
	H. B. Weeks,	12.02
	H. B. Weeks,	21.50
	J. J. Hatin,	.75
	J. W. Ryan,	2.73
	Dutcher Drug Co.,	.50
	Bedard & Carlisle,	.70
	Bedard & Carlisle,	3.00

Feb.	28	Bedard & Carlisle,	\$ 1.15
		Pheonix Fire Appliance Co.,	29.00
		A. D. Wheeler, Agt.,	1.15
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
		St. Albans Gas Co.,	3.15
		St. Albans Steam Laundry,	1.20
		St. Albans Steam Laundry,	1.20
		E. J. Alexander,	.90
		Point Farm,	20.80
		St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	.15
		J. Perron,	.50
		G. W. Lepper,	.42
		Universalist Society,	65.00
		Est. of F. Paquette,	19.87
1907.			
Jan.		S. Y. Hammond,	10.65
		C. H. Sabin,	6.70
		S. Y. Hammond,	4.25
		A. T. Hoyt,	2.00
		E. D. Fuller,	5.50
		T. R. Waugh,	20.60
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			\$3,526.89

BONDED DEBT.

1906.

Mch.	30	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 629,	\$2,000.00
June	27	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 651,	3,946.55

Sept. 18	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 669,	\$5,000.00
Nov. 16	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 681, Peoples Trust Company of St. Albans, Warrant No. 681,	1,000.00 4,000.00
Dec. 22	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 686,	1,000.00
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		\$16,946.55

INTEREST ON BONDED DEBT.

Mch. 30	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 629,	\$ 860.00
Apr. 23	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 633,	280.00
May 28	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 636,	840.00
June 27	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 651, First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 652,	138.13 320.00
July 28	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 658,	700.00
Sept. 18	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 669,	820.00
Oct. 24	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 676,	280.00
Nov. 16	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 681, Peoples Trust Company of St. Albans, Warrant No. 681,	480.00 80.00

Dec.	22	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 686,	\$ 389.07
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Jan.	24	First National Bank of Boston, Warrant No. 687,	700.00
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			\$5,887.20

INTEREST TEMPORARY LOANS.

1906.			
June	22	By Warrant No. 646,	\$ 99.82
Sept.	5	By Warrant No. 663,	210.00
	7	By Warrant No. 665,	43.89
	8	By Warrant No. 666,	69.44
	11	By Warrant No. 667,	95.00
	13	By Warrant No. 668,	21.39
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			\$539.54

OUTSTANDING WARRANT No. 217, PEOPLES TRUST
COMPANY.

Jan.	10	Principal and interest, Warrant No. 691,	\$2,051.88
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CITY PROPERTY.

1906.			
Feb.		Pay roll,	\$ 3.00
		Pay roll,	6.00
		Pay roll,	9.00
		L. A. Curtis,	47.50
Mch.		Electric Light & Power Co.,	35.47
		Pay roll,	3.00

Mch.	Pay roll,	\$ 6.50
	Bedard & Carlisle,	47.60
	R. A. Brush,	2.80
	Clark & Hatch,	.99
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	1.00
Apr.	L. A. Curtis,	47.50
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	12.65
	Pay roll,	1.50
	Pay roll,	9.00
May	Pay roll,	24.50
	Pay roll,	3.00
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	8.50
	R. A. Brush,	.55
	R. A. Brush,	1.48
	Clark & Hatch,	10.06
	J. E. Coburn,	2.25
	Clark & Hatch,	1.00
	St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	10.69
	St. Albans Foundry & Implement Co.,	4.64
	George T. Childs, P. M.,	10.60
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.80
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.60
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	26.49
June	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	T. M. King, Agt.,	3.01
	Pay roll,	23.00
	Pay roll,	14.50
	Pay roll,	35.25
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	33.54
	Western Union Telegraph Co.,	.45
	Acme Road Machine Co.,	146.10

June	American Express Co.,	\$.50
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
July	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	M. E. Devarney,	.25
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	10.55
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	6.00
Aug.	Electric Light & Power Co.,	2.00
	W. B. Fonda,	332.34
	Chas. A. Smith,	6.00
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.84
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.20
	R. A. Brush,	1.65
	R. A. Brush,	.55
	M. Fitzgerald,	1.00
	Clark & Hatch,	3.70
	Clark & Hatch,	3.05
	D. G. Mitchell & Son,	15.04
	Bedard & Carlisle,	78.25
	S. S. Watson,	29.14
	W. B. Fonda,	13.84
	W. B. Fonda,	13.25
	S. C. Greene,	24.44
	Bostwick Bros.,	265.46
	Bostwick Bros.,	64.28
	Clark & Hatch,	9.74
	Clark & Hatch,	3.96
	Clark & Hatch,	11.40
	Pay roll,	4.00
	Pay roll,	13.50
	A. S. Hyde & Son,	5.87
	Richardson, Twigg & Co.,	9.00
	H. G. Folsom & Co.,	.75

Sept.	N. N. Atwood,	\$35.20
	J. E. Butler,	3.45
	E. L. Mason, Agt.,	7.20
	S. S. Watson,	40.00
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.40
	Town of Fairfax,	48.00
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	9.36
	Pay roll,	4.50
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	9.00
Oct.	Pay roll,	5.00
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	6.87
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.60
	Clark & Hatch,	2.45
	Selden Watson,	20.00
	H. E. Blake,	7.00
Nov.	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	S. C. Greene,	17.76
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	34.35
	Clark & Hatch,	3.50
	Clark & Hatch,	1.10
	Clark & Hatch,	3.41
	St. Albans Electric Light Co.,	10.94
	George T. Childs, P. M.,	10.60
	Arthur Beauregard,	9.60
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.40
	R. A. Brush,	5.85

Nov.	Pay roll,	\$ 3.75
	Pay roll,	6.00
	Pay roll,	10.50
	Pay roll,	3.00
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	D. G. Mitchell,	5.00
Dec.	Electric Light & Power Co.,	10.27
	Bedard & Carlisle,	5.10
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.00
	C. Blouin,	8.00
	R. A. Brush,	.90
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	J. J. Hunt,	6.00
	Pay roll,	3.00
	Pay roll,	4.50
	Pay roll,	9.00
1907.		
Jan.	I American Express Co.,	1.31
	Bedard & Carlisle,	1.75
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	1.80
	C. V. Ry. Co.,	25.00
	Bedard & Carlisle,	4.60
	Clark & Hatch,	6.16
	L. A. Curtis,	50.00
	West Disinfecting Co.,	17.50
	C. H. Place,	9.00
	Pay roll,	7.50
	Pay roll,	9.00
	Pay roll,	9.00
	Pay roll,	6.00
	Clark & Hatch,	3.51
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	31.90
	Bostwick Bros.,	6.89

Jan.	I	Bostwick Bros.,	\$ 1.30
		Bostwick Bros.,	.50
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			\$2,595.85

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

1906.			
Feb.		J. F. Mahoney,	\$55.00
		P. T. Fitzgerald,	45.00
Mch.		J. F. Mahoney,	40.00
		J. F. Mahoney,	55.00
		P. T. Fitzgerald,	45.00
Apr.		P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
		J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
May		J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
		J. F. Mahoney,	20.00
		P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
		J. F. Mahoney,	20.00
		E. L. Ryan,	1.00
		J. F. Mahoney,	6.00
June		J. F. Mahoney,	4.30
		J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
		P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
July		J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
		P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
Aug.		R. W. Fadden,	3.00
		E. L. Ryan,	.50
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	4.16
		Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
		St. Albans Messenger Co.,	2.45
		C. H. Cook,	3.75

Aug.	C. H. Cook,	\$ 1.75
Sept.	J. F. Mahoney,	5.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	20.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
Oct.	C. H. Cook,	1.25
	Wm. Murray,	3.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	4.02
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	20.00
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	E. L. Ryan,	.50
Nov.	J. F. Mahoney,	4.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	E. L. Ryan,	.50
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
Dec.	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	B. F. Kelley,	127.16
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.08
1907.		
Jan.	C. H. Cook,	2.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	60.00
	J. F. Mahoney,	2.65
	P. T. Fitzgerald,	50.00
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	1.04
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		\$1,606.35

 HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

1906.			
Apr.	30	Dr. A. A. Claflin,	\$ 2.00
May	7	Dr. A. A. Claflin,	75.27
June	1	Dr. A. A. Claflin,	85.17
	4	Dr. A. A. Claflin,	10.00
July	2	Dr. A. O. Morton,	12.25
Aug.	1	E. J. Alexander,	3.66
	15	Dr. A. O. Morton,	37.05
Sept.	3	Dr. A. O. Morton,	13.20
		E. J. Alexander,	3.50
	29	E. J. Alexander,	1.88
	29	Dr. A. O. Morton,	10.00
Nov.	5	Dr. A. O. Morton,	6.00
		E. J. Alexander,	.63
Dec.	31	Dr. A. O. Morton,	14.20
1907.			
Jan.	31	Dr. A. O. Morton,	9.55
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			\$284.36

STREET LIGHTS.

1906.		
St. Albans Electric Light & Power Co., from February		
1, 1906 to January 1, 1907,		\$5,917.94

LIGHT AND CARE OF CLOCK.

1906.		
St. Albans Electric Light & Power Co.,		
C. H. Place,		\$59.22
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		\$79.22

MEMORIAL DAY.

1906.
June 2 C. P. Hogan, Chairman, \$80.00

COUNTY TAX.

1906.
Oct. 2 F. W. Hyde, Treasurer, \$362.28

STATE HIGHWAY TAX.

1906.
Oct. 27 E. H. Deavitt, State Treasurer, \$1,811.39

STATE SCHOOL TAX.

1906.
July 11 John L. Bacon, State Treasurer, \$2,898.23

OLD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION.

1906.
July 30 Mrs. Stanley Gray, Treasurer, Warrant No. 657 \$75.00

CITY COURT.

1906.
Apr. 30 Lee S. Tillotson, Judge, \$253.15
May 31 St. Albans Messenger Co., 8.30
Oct. 30 John Kearney, Justice, 83.70
30 St. Albans Messenger Co., 1.50

\$346.85

ONE-HALF FINES AND LIQUOR LICENSE FEES TO STATE.

1906.

July 25	John L. Bacon, Treasurer, one-half license fees,	\$2,425.00
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PUBLIC LIBRARY.

1906.

Mch. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	\$ 10.41
Apr. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	11.65
May 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	10.46
June 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	10.76
July 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	10.97
Aug. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	6.64
15	Bostwick Bros.,	75.49
	N. N. Atwood,	33.40
Sept. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	7.39
Oct. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	5.60
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	9.80
	Clark & Hatch,	1.00
	A. A. Hall, Treasurer, Warrant No. 677,	500.00
Nov. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	17.63
Dec. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	12.22
1907.		
Jan. 1	Electric Light & Power Co.,	17.83
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		\$741.25

LEGAL SERVICES.

1906.

Aug. 1	N. N. Post, City Attorney,	\$100.00
Jan. 31	N. N. Post,	66.67
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		\$166.67

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

1906.		
Feb.	F. J. Guerin,	\$45.00
	A. Lemay,	40.00
	L. E. Bridge,	40.00
Mch.	St. Albans Electric Light & Power Co.,	3.63
	E. J. Alexander,	.85
	S. C. Greene,	.63
	Steam Laundry,	3.10
	Call Men,	10.20
	J. E. Coburn,	3.28
	C. F. Hayward,	3.10
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.80
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	5.00
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
	West Disinfecting Co.,	3.00
	A. W. Coote,	6.98
	Bedard & Carlisle,	1.20
	J. W. Ryan,	2.90
	H. B. Weeks,	46.80
	W. B. Fonda,	2.39
	Clark & Hatch,	8.82
	F. F. Twitchell & Co.,	3.89
Apr.	E. D. Fuller,	175.00
	A. W. Coote,	2.17
	C. W. Buckley,	3.50
	C. W. Buckley,	10.00
	J. E. Coburn,	1.85
	D. G. Mitchell & Son,	15.75
	Geo. P. Derick,	10.00
	Call Men,	52.90
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	5.05

April	Electric Light & Power Co.,	\$ 4.33
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.95
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.20
	A. W. Coote,	250.00
	F. J. Guerin,	45.00
	A. Lemay,	40.00
	L. E. Bridge,	40.00
May	Bostwick Bros.,	38.38
	W. B. Fonda,	1.50
	J. E. Coburn,	3.38
	Revere Rubber Co.,	300.00
	Dutcher Drug Co.,	2.60
	H. J. McKenzie,	1.00
	H. J. Chadwick,	3.00
	S. C. Greene,	1.99
	C. L. Morin,	5.00
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	7.26
	St. Albans Gas Light Co.,	1.80
	Steam Laundry,	1.60
	Steam Laundry,	1.20
	J. W. Ryan,	2.72
	J. W. Ryan,	3.83
	Clark & Hatch,	14.90
	Clark & Hatch,	4.12
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.21
	H. B. Weeks,	11.85
	H. B. Weeks,	24.68
	Bedard & Carlisle,	1.20
	Bedard & Carlisle,	.60
	E. J. Alexander,	.25
	E. J. Alexander,	.25
	R. A. Brush,	.70

May	Samuel Eastman & Co.,	\$100.00
	F. T. Lord Polish Co.,	1.00
	Martin Diggs Fire Extinguisher Co.,	2.35
	Fire-Water Engineering,	3.00
	The Electric Storage Battery Co.,	.74
	Cornelius Callahan,	30.00
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	1.75
	Ingersol-Rand Co.,	2.50
	Pelkey & Moore,	1.75
	F. J. Guerin,	45.00
	A. Lemay,	40.00
	L. E. Bridge,	40.00
	Richardson, Twigg & Co.,	5.87
	C. H. Morton,	5.00
	Call Men,	8.20
June	J. E. Coburn,	3.25
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	5.34
	F. J. Guerin,	55.00
	A. Lemay,	27.71
	L. E. Bridge,	60.00
July	L. S. Church (Sub.),	25.80
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	9.70
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	3.04
	A. W. Coote,	2.65
	F. J. Guerin,	1.80
	H. L. Chadwick,	12.00
	C. W. Buckley,	10.00
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	41.50
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	L. S. Church (Sub.),	6.65
	Steam Laundry,	1.50
	Steam Laundry,	1.20

July	Call Men,	\$23.60
Aug.	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	10.43
	Steam Laundry,	1.80
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	Geo. P. Derick,	10.00
	A. W. Coote,	.75
	American-La France Fire Engineering Co.,	2.80
	St. Albans Gas Light Co.,	2.81
	J. W. Ryan,	9.33
	Bostwick Bros.,	99.81
	S. C. Greene,	.50
	Clark & Hatch,	4.10
	W. B. Fonda,	121.29
	Bedard & Carlisle,	2.30
	J. J. Hatin,	2.25
	H. B. Weeks,	81.81
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	1.50
	E. J. Alexander,	.75
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	4.60
	Call Men,	8.55
	J. E. Coburn,	7.74
	O. I. Sweet,	1.25
	F. F. Twitchell & Co.,	.47
	F. Dutcher Drug Co.,	1.55
	J. I. Milo,	2.00
Sept.	R. W. LeBarron,	12.85
	C. Callihan Co.,	3.00
	E. P. & W. H. Stevens,	.30
	F. F. Twitchell & Co.,	2.00
	Bedard & Carlisle,	.40
	Clark & Hatch,	.50

Sept.	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	\$ 3.06
	Steam Laundry,	1.20
	J. J. Hatin,	3.75
	H. B. Weeks,	18.29
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	.63
	J. W. Ryan,	2.55
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	5.48
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	A. W. Coote,	13.75
Oct.	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
	F. T. Lord Polish Co.,	1.00
	Chas. A. Smith,	2.00
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	9.26
	Geo. P. Derick,	10.00
	C. W. Buckley,	10.00
	J. W. Ryan,	1.52
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	1.89
	Pelkey & Moore,	5.50
	Bedard & Carlisle,	1.00
	H. B. Weeks,	16.50
	J. J. Hatin,	5.70
	Steam Laundry,	1.20
	F. Dutcher Drug Co.,	2.65
	E. J. Alexander,	.25
	Clark & Hatch,	1.12
	Call Force,	9.10
	Franklin County Creamery Ass'n,	2.00
	Ernest Minor,	1.00

Oct.	J. J. Hatin,	\$ 5.13
	H. B. Weeks,	61.83
	Bedard & Carlisle,	2.15
	W. B. Fonda,	.80
	A. W. Coote,	6.00
	E. H. Lewis,	20.00
	Steam Laundry,	6.30
	F. Dutcher Drug Co.,	.85
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	7.70
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	3.06
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.40
Nov.	J. W. Ryan,	2.95
	C. L. Curtis,	1.00
	F. F. Twitchell & Co.,	1.50
	American Express Co.,	.50
	Hillside Farm,	18.56
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	S. C. Greene,	.75
	Clark & Hatch,	2.41
	Chas. Murphy,	3.00
Dec.	Walter O'Neill,	1.00
	F. E. McArthur,	1.00
	Call Force,	16.85
	Bedard & Carlisle,	.85
	The City Feed Co.,	1.20
	J. J. Hatin,	7.35
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	2.28
	Call Force,	17.00
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00

Dec.	Geo. P. Derick,	\$ 5.00
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	1.50
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	8.31
	West Disinfecting Co.,	3.00
	D. G. Mitchell & Son,	10.50
	Steam Laundry,	1.20
	F. Dutcher Drug Co.,	2.30
	S. C. Greene,	2.40
	E. J. Alexander,	.25
	Clark & Hatch,	.95
	J. A. Jarvis,	1.00
	J. W. Ryan,	1.61
	T. A. Irvine,	1.50
	L. J. Peterson,	.50
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	2.40
Jan.	J. J. Hatin,	8.89
	St. Albans Steam Laundry,	1.50
	F. Dutcher Drug Co.,	2.75
	J. W. Ryan,	4.03
	Franklin County Telephone Co.,	5.75
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
	Electric Light & Power Co.,	16.63
	Pelkey & Moore,	3.00
	St. Albans Gas Co.,	5.80
	City Feed Co.,	10.91
	Bedard & Carlisle,	50.00
	C. W. Buckley,	10.00
	D. Gilmore,	27.00
	Clark & Hatch,	3.58
	F. E. McArthur,	5.00
	Ingersoll-Rand Co.,	2.50

Jan.	W. D. Chandler,	\$ 4.30
	Gamewell Fire Alarm Co.,	1.20
	G. P. Derick,	.39
	E. J. Alexander,	.75
	Call Men,	31.10
	Call Men,	57.60
	D. G. Mitchell & Son,	1.00
	F. J. Guerin,	50.00
	L. E. Bridge,	50.00
	A. Lemay,	50.00
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		\$4,035.23
Bostwick Bros., (Cr. by error in bill),		14.87
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		\$4,020.36

LIQUOR COMMISSIONERS.

1906.

Apr.	1	S. E. Royce,	\$23.50
May	7	C. E. Marchessault,	30.00
Aug.	24	J. W. Ryan,	45.00
Sept.	3	C. E. Marchessault,	18.00
Dec.	11	Empire Detective Agency,	43.66
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			\$160.16

MISCELLANEOUS.

1906.

Feb.	28	H. E. Perkins,	\$ 17.30
		B. M. Hopkins,	53.40
		A. R. Haven,	20.00
Mch.		H. M. Stevens,	6.00
		B. M. Hopkins,	25.30

Mch.	Ballot Clerks,	\$48.00
Apr.	B. M. Hopkins,	4.00
	N. N. Atwood,	62.50
	S. W. Flinn,	6.00
	George T. Childs, P. M.,	7.72
	J. G. Keenan,	8.00
	J. Shilvock,	6.00
	B. M. Hopkins,	2.00
	R. A. Brush,	.53
	C. W. Buckley,	1.20
	D. S. Danforth,	8.00
	Ballot Clerks,	8.00
	H. C. Mossey,	2.00
	B. M. Hopkins,	28.62
June	W. H. Finn,	8.00
	John Kearney,	8.00
July	John G. Keenan,	75.00
	Lee S. Tillotson,	2.00
Aug.	Tony Londis,	1.33
Sept.	O. N. Kelton,	12.00
	W. H. Finn,	8.00
	B. M. Hopkins,	21.20
	S. S. Watson,	6.00
	M. F. Sullivan,	20.00
	F. H. Dewart,	175.00
	J. H. Cummings,	270.00
	J. G. Keenan,	6.00
	J. G. Keenan,	195.00
	Elmer Johnson,	3.00
	John Kearney,	8.00
	B. M. Hopkins,	20.20
	H. P. Dee,	4.00
Nov.	H. M. Stevens,	4.00

Nov.	Joseph Shilvock,	\$ 2.00
Dec.	H. G. Morton,	100.00
	B. M. Hopkins,	4.00
	Opinion Publishing Co.,	21.00
	George T. Childs, P. M.,	1.00
	St. Albans Messenger Co.,	17.20
1907.		
Jan.	H. M. Mott,	5.70
	A. Barshaw,	3.84
	H. Elmer Wheeler,	9.75
	F. J. Houghton,	10.00
	Ballot Clerks,	48.00
	N. N. Post,	11.78
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		\$1,395.57

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the City Council:

I herewith submit my report as Health Officer of the city of St. Albans for the time between the seventh day of June and the first day of February.

The city has been remarkably free from contagious diseases during this time. In fact we have had no epidemic of any kind.

The following are the diseases and number of cases of each which have been reported to me:

Diphtheria,	2 cases
Scarlet Fever,	5 cases
Measles,	5 cases
Mumps,	4 cases
Chicken Pox,	1 case
Whooping Cough,	7 cases
Typhoid Fever,	5 cases
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis,	1 case

I have received thirty-seven complaints in regard to out houses, alleys, plumbing, etc. These have been investigated and the conditions remedied where possible.

The city water supply has been investigated by the secretary of the State Board of Health. His report showed that our city

water was pure as far as containing disease producing germs. He recommended that the lower gate house be cleaned, that a stone flume be built between the two reservoirs and that the new reservoir be connected directly with the water main, so that the city might get its supply from one reservoir while the other was being cleaned. The lower gate house has been thoroughly cleaned and large quantities of algae have been removed from the lower reservoir. This ought to improve the taste and odor of the water during the coming summer.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR MORTON, *Health-Officer.*

TAX REPORT, CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

TAX REPORT FOR 1901-02-03-04-05-06.

FRED DEMERS, COLLECTOR,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

DR.

To tax bills of 1901, received from Treasurer, \$ 377.44

CR.

By abatement, \$118.85

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907, 258.59

—————\$ 377.44

DR.

To tax bill of 1902, received from Treasurer, \$ 649.94

CR.

By cash paid Treasurer, \$ 14.15

By abatements, 201.20

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907, 434.59

—————\$ 649.94

DR.

To tax bill of 1903, received from Treasurer, \$1,115.23

CR.

By cash paid Treasurer, \$ 41.61

By abatements, 331.13

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907, 742.49

—————\$1,115.23

DR.

To special tax bill of 1903, received from
Treasurer,

\$ 167.72

CR.

By abatements,

\$ 33.60

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907,

134.12

\$ 167.72

DR.

To tax bill of 1904, received from Treasurer,

\$1,525.28

CR.

By cash paid Treasurer,

\$ 46.85

By abatements,

515.06

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907,

963.37

\$1,525.28

DR.

To tax bill of 1905, received from Treasurer,

\$1,580.52

CR.

By cash paid Treasurer,

\$ 200.00

By abatements,

153.90

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907,

1,226.62

\$1,580.52

DR.

To tax bill of 1906, received from Treasurer,

\$3,493.00

CR.

By cash paid Treasurer,

\$1,237.59

By abatements,

44.55

Balance uncollected, Jan. 31, 1907,

2,210.86

\$3,493.00

FRED DEMERS,

Collector.

St. Albans, Vt., Jan. 31, 1907.

TAX REPORT FOR 1901-02-03-04.

BOOKS OF J. LAWRENCE DULING, COLLECTOR,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

	DR.	
To tax bill of 1901,		\$ 377.44
	CR.	
By balance to new account,		\$ 377.44
	DR.	
To tax bill of 1902,		\$ 653.94
	CR.	
By cash paid Treasurer,		\$ 4.00
By balance to new account,		649.94
		<u> </u> \$ 653.94
	DR.	
To tax bill of 1903,		\$1,151.67
	CR.	
By cash paid Treasurer,		\$ 36.44
By balance to new account,		1,115.23
		<u> </u> \$1,151.67
	DR.	
To tax bill of 1903,		\$ 176.36
	CR.	
By cash paid Treasurer,		\$ 8.64
By balance to new account,		167.72
		<u> </u> \$ 176.36
	DR.	
To tax bill of 1904,		\$1,598.84
	CR.	
By cash paid Treasurer,		\$ 73.56
By balance to new account,		1,525.28
		<u> </u> \$1,598.84
St. Albans, Vt., July 31st, 1907.		

TAX REPORT, 1898.

J. T. SULLIVAN, COLLECTOR,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

To tax bill of 1898, .	\$529.47
To tax bill of 1898, (Fire station tax),	336.86

J. T. SULLIVAN,
Collector.

H. E. PERKINS, COLLECTOR,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

DR.

To balance of 1899 tax uncollected,	\$ 213.47
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CR.

By Treasurer receipts,	\$122.65
By abatements,	28.35
	<hr/> \$ 151.00

Balance uncollected Jan. 31, 1907,	\$ 62.47
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DR.

To amount of 1900 tax uncollected,	\$ 313.73
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CR.

By Treasurer receipts,	\$139.10
By abatements,	23.65
	<hr/> \$ 162.75

Balance uncollected Jan. 31, 1907,	\$ 150.98
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Attest, H. E. PERKINS,
Collector.

St. Albans, Vt., Jan. 31, 1907.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF POOR.

ST. ALBANS, VT., January 31st, 1907.

To His Honor, the Mayor and City Council:

Gentlemen: I wish to submit for your approval my annual report as Overseer of the Poor for the City of St. Albans, for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1907, which is as follows:

1906.

February, amount of bills,	\$ 77.46
March, amount of bills,	106.48
April, amount of bills,	55.64
May, amount of bills,	21.11
June, amount of bills,	11.28
July, amount of bills,	17.96
August, amount of bills,	13.02
September, amount of bills,	7.99
October, amount of bills,	37.32
November, amount of bills,	68.01
December, amount of bills,	64.17

1907.

January, amount of bills,	86.40
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\$566.74

Respectfully submitted,

N. J. JARVIS, *Overseer of Poor.*

Annual Report

OF

The Sheldon Poor House Association

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 8, 1907.

To indebtedness January 3, 1906, including interest,	\$14,449.74
By Cash on hand Jan. 3, 1906,	\$ 226.73
Assessment for year ending Jan. 3, 1906,	6,376.93
	<u>\$6,603.66</u>
Balance, of indebtedness unprovided for Jan. 3, 1906,	\$7,346.08
To expense of maintaining farm and house for year ending Jan. 3, 1907, as per itemized orders given below,	7,489.18
Interest on borrowed money to Jan. 3, 1907,	564.07
	<u>\$15,399.33</u>
By Cash receipts from farm,	\$1,796.42
Cash receipts from other sources,	61.77
	<u>\$1,858.19</u>
Total indebtedness Jan. 3, 1907,	\$14,041.14

Assessment for year ending Jan. 3, 1907,	\$8,607.16
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Balance of old indebtedness unprovided for Jan. 3, 1907,	\$5,433.98
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S. B. Thomas, Secretary, has drawn orders on the Treasurer to balance accounts contracted, etc., as follows:

St. Albans Messenger Co., printing,	\$ 10.85
Louisa Armstrong, teacher,	112.50
G. C. Holmes, manager,	800.00
G. C. Holmes, money paid out as per bill on file,	56.98
Northern Tel. Co., phone rent and messages,	42.39
N. J. Jarvis, expense in Jennie West case and burial of Rushlow child,	33.11
Wood, Pollard & Co., liquor,	21.15
S. B. Thomas, agt. ins. asse. and new policy,	94.00
Geo. E. Stebbins, agt. ins. asse. and new policy,	109.90
E. M. Brown, M. D., medical attendance and death certificate,	206.70
Gertrude F. Robinson, making reports,	7.00
C. H. Abells, miscellaneous,	19.46
W. B. Fonda, lumber,	3.45
E. H. Burleson, services as director, Jan. 3, to March 3, 1906,	9.20
T. M. King, agt., freight,	5.76
D. K. Holmes,	4.00
Pelkey & Moore, supplies,	22.99
R. E. Columb, expense in Jennie West case,	7.69
A. F. Durkee, collector, taxes,	108.42
I. S. Brault, M. D., medical attendance,	17.20
E. A. Ayers, atty., fees in West vs. Alexander,	22.74
H. E. Dewing, car fare for inmates,	2.11
H. J. Isham, wine,	2.00
F. S. Tupper, atty looking up records,	11.50

W. T. Dewey, land rent,	\$ 1.50
Rev. John Irons, officiating at funerals,	5.00
J. M. Trombly, services as director,	10.80
E. A. Brooks, services as director,	14.00
B. H. Combs, services as director,	17.50
R. E. Columb, services as director,	12.80
S. B. Thomas, services as director,	\$ 24.47
I. T. Beeman, services as director and treasurer,	31.02
P. B. B. Northrop, services as director and auditor,	29.62
W. S. Robie, services as director and house advisory,	60.59
C. H. Abells, services as director and farm advisory,	58.15
	—————\$2,016.55

E. H. Burleson, house advisory Jan. 3 to Mar. 6, 1906, has drawn orders on the Treasurer to balance bills which he contracted as follows:

R. G. Greene, labor,	\$ 20.00
Phoebe Clapper, labor,	16.00
Ned Clark, janitor,	16.00
Spaulding, Kimball & Co., groceries,	194.45
C. W. Gates, butter,	129.05
H. J. Isham, liquor,	7.50
Wells Bros., mdse.,	66.94
C. H. Morton, clothing,	8.70
G. K. Marsh, mdse.,	12.23
Jennison, Gallup & Co., mdse.,	103.23
W. C. Marsh, mdse.,	29.29
Walker-Stetson & Co., dry goods,	103.53
C. V. Ry. agent, freight and express,	3.87
Richardson, Twigg & Co., mdse.,	10.98
T. Jasmine, cobbler,	8.50

Mrs. H. E. Dewing, sewing,	\$ 2.00
S. C. Greene, mdse.,	1.65
John Blair, beans,	35.00
Mrs. Sadie Page, agent, freight and express,	1.85
Carl C. Fletcher, stationery,	1.25
J. J. Hunt, oil,	16.68
Robert McLeod, butter,	4.00
Smith & Tilley, furniture,	11.75
E. J. Alexander, drugs,	1.27
	<hr/> \$ 805.71

W. S. Robie, house advisory, March 3, 1906 to Jan. 5, 1907, has drawn orders on the treasurer to balance accounts which he contracted as follows:

R. G. Greene, labor,	\$ 87.50
Phoebe Clapper, labor,	76.70
Ned Clark, janitor,	26.79
G. K. Marsh, mdse.,	132.27
Standard Oil Co., oil,	32.25
Jennison, Gallup & Co., mdse.,	390.45
W. C. Marsh, mdse.,	162.28
T. Jasamine, cobbler,	10.60
Richardson, Twigg & Co., mdse.,	183.12
C. W. Gates, butter,	270.77
C. V. Ry. agent, freight and express,	15.50
G. W. Maynard, mdse.,	7.35
Farmers' Exchange, mdse.,	13.20
Mrs. H. E. Dewing, sewing,	11.30
C. R. Lyon & Son, mdse.,	16.42
St. Albans Beef Co., provision,	110.65
S. C. Greene, mdse. and labor,	44.55
Spaulding, Kimball & Co., groceries,	169.29
J. W. Ryan, provisions,	64.57

C. H. Morton, clothing,	\$20.65
L. M. Lawrence, caskets,	30.50
G. C. Holmes, cash paid out as per bill,	9.53
F. F. Twitchell & Co., mdse.,	39.00
H. H. Mower, mdse. and labor,	36.52
H. E. Dewing, cash paid out for freight, etc.,	5.51
Mrs. D. Perry, dried apples,	6.93
St. Albans Messenger Co., order books, etc.,	2.75
C. W. Powell, mdse.,	6.50
B. N. Wescot, labor,	5.20
Highgate Foundry Co., stove repair,	4.50
J. E. Welch & Co., sweet oil,	.80
E. S. Adsit Coal Co., coal,	613.91
H. W. Baxter & Co., casket,	\$ 9.50
Mower & Wanzer, labor,	1.45
R. D. McClure, vinegar,	2.90
Cross & Co., mdse.,	13.41
Towle & Vincent, mdse.,	.88
H. F. Martin & Son, mdse.,	13.41
C. H. Place, eye glasses,	1.00
Burdick & Banyea, meat,	48.45
M. T. Huber,	5.00
Allen H. Manley, window,	.90
Eliza Merkel, labor,	5.00
Emma Greene, labor,	5.75
	<hr/> \$2,729.74

C. H. Abells, farm advisory, Jan. 3, 1906, to Jan. 5, 1907, has drawn orders on the Treasurer to balance accounts which he contracted, as follows:

G. W. Maynard, mdse.,	\$ 8.33
Geo. Bullis, lumber,	16.28

L. J. Rice, 1 set harness and repairs, etc.,	\$50.28
Jennison, Gallup & Co., feed, hardware, etc.,	747.80
W. C. Marsh, feed, hardware, etc.,	88.08
M. P. Perley & Co., paint, oil, etc.,	15.71
Trudeau & Jacques, blacksmith work,	11.39
Ed. Moore, labor,	122.86
F. Jacques & Son, blacksmith work,	19.69
Stoddard Mfg. Co., machinery, etc.,	107.28
C. V. Ry. agent, freight and express,	2.79
G. C. Holmes, each paid out as per bill,	26.50
E. T. Holmes, shingles, etc.,	39.40
H. H. Mower, mdse.,	1.90
Mower & Wanzer, mdse.,	2.90
A. M. Trudeau, blacksmith work,	5.30
W. B. Ladd, lumber,	3.34
Harley Kidder, labor,	26.25
C. R. Lyon & Son, mdse.,	3.34
C. H. Abells, one bull,	22.04
C. H. Abells, spring tooth harrow,	14.00
C. H. Abells, corn and crushgalli seed,	9.75
C. H. Abells, 1-5 ft. Osborne mower,	37.00
C. H. Abells, 1 cultivator,	5.75
C. H. Abells, 5 tons phosphate,	131.85
John Danue, labor,	2.62
J. C. Parker, V. S., attending sick horse,	10.00
Rose & Tyler, stationery,	1.25
C. L. Marsh, feed,	52.00
H. A. Fairbank, lumber,	17.20
Clayton Burt, machine work,	3.35
Farmers' Exchange, feed,	7.35
G. K. Marsh, forks, etc.,	4.00
George Sweet, labor,	6.00
Mrs. Lorenzo Rice, garden seeds,	8.45

F. W. Draper, 11 pigs,	\$25.00
Henry Marsha, painting,	10.20
Thos. Duffy, 7 pigs,	14.00
James Kemp, 1 bull,	14.00
Dexter Stanhope, 4 shoats and 4 pigs,	28.00
James McFeeters, 9 tons hay,	74.88
B. H. Combs, horse trade,	50.00
Miles Wells, 5 pigs,	15.00
G. K. Marsh, grass seed,	14.25
F. I. Marvin, separator repairs,	10.00
Asa Moore, labor,	5.00
F. McGee, labor,	5.05
George Sweet, labor,	1.60
Arthur Perry, labor,	18.00
	<hr/> \$1,937.18
Total orders drawn for maintenance of farm and house,	\$7,489.18

REPORT OF I. T. BEEMAN, TREASURER.

January 3, 1906, to January 5, 1907.

To Cash on hand Jan. 3, 1906,	\$ 226.73
Assessment of 6 per cent. on grand list,	6,376.93
Receipts from farm,	1,796.42
Cash Franklin Co. Savings Bank & Trust Co.,	4,541.14
Receipts from all other sources,	61.17
	<hr/> \$13,002.99

By paid Enosburg Falls Savings Bank & Trust Co., by order of secretary,	\$5,062.37
Paid Franklin Co. Savings Bank & Trust Co., by order of secretary,	451.44
Paid orders drawn by Thomas, Secretary,	2,016.55
Paid orders drawn by Burleson,	805.71
Paid orders drawn by Robie,	2,729.74
Paid orders drawn by Abells,	1,937.18
	<hr/> \$13,002.99

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the accounts of the Sheldon Poor House Association, and find them correct.

B. H. COMBS,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
P. B. B. NORTHROP,		
S. B. THOMAS,		

There have been 8 deaths the past year, as follows:

Adner Beers, February 13,	age 90
Chester A. Jebut, February 15,	age 7
Dewing Smith, February 19,	age 83
Louis Snay, June 12,	age 24
James Sullivan, July 27,	age 54
J. J. Guindom, November 1,	age 70
Mrs. A. L. Williams, November 7,	age 76

The Association has maintained a school the past year of 45 weeks at a cost of \$2.00 per week, making the total expense for the year \$112.50. Average attendance for the year 23.

There are at this date, 62 inmates from the following towns:

Berkshire,	1
Enosburg,	5
Fairfield,	3
Franklin,	5
Highgate,	5
Sheldon,	4
St. Albans Town,	3
St. Albans City,	18
Swanton,	18

The average number of inmates for the past year, as reported at each quarterly meeting, 65.

AMOUNT OF STOCK.

32 cows, 7 yearlings, 10 calves, 1 bull, 20 hogs, 4 horses.

SUPPLIES ON HAND NOVEMBER 28, 1906.

500 bu. potatoes.	5 bu. beets.
4 bu. carrots.	7 bu. onions.
150 lbs. pork.	2 bbls. vinegar.
35 gal. syrup.	13 bu. beans.
2 bbl. salted cucumbers.	2 bbl. pastry flour.
2 bbls. bread flower.	9 bu. peas.
369 bu. corn on cob.	3,500 lbs. feed.

The directors voted at the regular meeting, January 5, 1907, to raise 8 per cent. on the grand list of the several towns of the Association.

The amount thus raised will reduce the old debt by \$2,412.10 after paying all expenses for the year ending January 3, 1907.

The total grand list of the Association is \$107,589.53.

The rate of 8 per cent. on the grand list is proportioned as follows:

	Grand List.	Indebtedness.
Berkshire,	\$ 7,307.00	\$ 584.56
Enosburg,	11,805.61	944.45
Fairfield,	7,934.75	634.78
Franklin,	6,372.29	509.78
Highgate,	7,393.93	591.51
Sheldon,	6,907.54	352.60
St. Albans City,	36,717.42	2,937.39
St. Albans Town,	7,696.26	615.70
Swanton,	15,454.73	1,236.38
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	\$107,589.53	\$8,607.16

The services of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dewing, as manager and matron, have been engaged for the ensuing year, at a salary of \$800.00; they to furnish one man on the farm, and a woman in the house.

The next regular meeting of the directors will be held at the Poor House, Tuesday, April 2, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The several towns of the Association are requested to pay the Treasurer of the Association, Mr. I. T. Beeman, of St. Albans City, their several assessments on or before February 15, 1907.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. THOMAS, *Secretary.*

SHELDON, Vt., January 3, 1907.

ACCOUNT OF DOG LICENSES.

B. MELVIN HOPKINS, CITY CLERK,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE CITY OF ST. ALBANS.

1906.

Dec. 31	To 176 licenses at one dollar each,	\$176.00
	10 licenses at four dollars each,	40.00
	1 license at two dollars each,	2.00
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		\$218.00
	Less commission 10 cents each,	18.70
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	Paid into treasury,	\$199.30

STATE OF VERMONT,

FRANKLIN COUNTY, SS. At city of St. Albans, in said county, on this 28th day of January, 1907, personally appeared before me, B. Melvin Hopkins, city clerk, and made oath to the foregoing account.

S. S. WATSON,

Justice of the Peace.

ST. ALBANS FREE LIBRARY REPORT.

To the Tax Payers of the City of St. Albans, and The Town of St. Albans:—

I beg to submit my account as Treasurer of the St. Albans Free Library for the year ending February 1st, 1907:—

The appropriation of the Town made at the last March meeting was an excellent supplement to that annually made by the City. We hope that both may be increased the coming year.

The demand of our book lovers, (especially the children), is as great as any in the state, and the generosity of the taxpayers in this line ought not to be excelled by our neighbors in the towns and cities of this commonwealth.

The expenses the past year are divided as follows:

Books,	\$489.12
Periodicals,	45.60
Librarian,	237.00
Miscellaneous,	6.00
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	\$777.72

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED A. HALL,

Treasurer.

January 31, 1907.

ALFRED A. HALL, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE ST. ALBANS FREE LIBRARY.

1906.		Dr.	Cr.
Feb.	1	To cash on hand in addition to \$1,000 bonds,	\$ 357.27
		To interest on bond,	25.00
	20	By paid for Treasurer's book, stamps, paper, etc.,	\$ 2.50
Mch.	2	By paid Bertha Jennison, Librarian,	16.00
	21	By paid R. A. Brush for periodicals,	17.30
	27	By paid R. A. Brush for books(in addition to \$250 in Book Com's hands),	90.02
Apr.	6	By paid Librarian,	20.00
	21	To cash of Librarian,	21.00
May	1	By paid Librarian,	16.00
June	4	By paid Librarian,	20.00
	30	By paid Librarian,	20.00
Aug.	3	By paid Librarian,	20.00
		To interest on bond,	25.00
		To cash of Librarian,	16.00
Sept.	11	By paid Librarian,	25.00
	27	By paid D. Dutcher, agent for "World's Work",	3.00
Oct.	5	By paid Librarian,	10.00
	8	By paid McClure, Philips and Co., books,	36.10
	30	By paid Librarian,	20.00
		By paid St. Albans Messenger Co.,	3.50
		To amount of City appropriation,	500.00
Nov.	2	To amount from Town of St. Albans,	100.00

Dec.	1	By paid Librarian,	\$25.00
	31	By paid Librarian,	20.00
1907.			
Jan.	29	By paid R. A. Brush for periodicals,	28.30
	31	By paid Librarian,	25.00
		By paid Book Committee for books,	360.00
		By cash on hand,	266.55
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			\$1,044.27 \$1,044.27

BELLOWS FREE ACADEMY FUND.

TRUSTEES, IN ACCOUNT WITH
BELLOWS FREE ACADEMY FUND,
OF ST. ALBANS, VERMONT.

FOR YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 1907.

Cash on hand February 1, 1906, \$862.46

RECEIPTS.

Interest Grand Isle bonds,	\$ 65.50
Interest Enosburg Falls village bonds,	20.00
Interest Northfield village bonds,	80.00
Interest St. Albans village bonds,	100.00
Interest Swanton town bonds,	245.00
Interest Middlebury village bonds,	280.00
Interest Barre village bonds,	60.00
Interest Swanton village bonds,	80.00
Interest Swanton village bonds,	520.00
Interest St. Albans town bonds,	440.00
Interest Springfield, Vt., village bonds,	220.00
Interest City of Boston bonds,	175.00
Interest N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. .85 of 1 share),	122.87
Interest N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. interest,	2,047.50
Interest N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. rights,	1,974.37
Interest Peoples Trust Co.,	79.65
Bonds matured and paid,	1,000.00
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> \$7,511.89
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/> \$8,374.35

EXPENSES AND OTHER DISBURSEMENTS.

Springfield village bonds premium and interest,	\$6,268.50
N. Y. C. & H. R. R. stock,	145.63
Trustees' salaries and other expenses, for 1906,	121.00
Copy petition and answers and postage,	3.50
Balance Peoples Trust Co.,	1,835.72
	<hr/> \$8,374.35

INVESTMENTS.

N. Y. C. & H. R. R. stock,	\$39,000.00
Grand Isle bridge bonds,	1,500.00
Northfield bonds,	2,000.00
St. Albans village bonds,	2,000.00
Swanton town bonds,	7,000.00
Middlebury village bonds,	7,000.00
Barre village bonds,	1,500.00
Swanton village bonds,	2,000.00
Swanton village bonds,	13,000.00
St. Albans town bonds,	11,000.00
Springfield village bonds,	11,500.00
Boston City Reg. bonds	5,000.00
Cash in Peoples Trust Co.,	1,835.72
	<hr/> \$104,335.72

RECAPITULATION.

Total fund reported February 1, 1907,	\$104,335.72
Total fund reported February 1, 1906,	98,347.46

Increase,	\$ 5,988.26
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E. A. CHITTENDEN, <i>Chairman</i> ,	} Trustees.
GEO. P. TWIGG,	
CHAUNCEY TEMPLE,	
S. C. GREENE,	
E. C. SMITH,	

REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

To the Honorable City Council of the City of St. Albans:

Gentlemen: I herewith present to your honorable board my report as Chief of Police from February 1, 1906 to January 31, 1907. During this time one hundred and forty-five (145) arrests have been made as follows:—

Intoxication,	59	resulting in 59 convictions.
Breach of Peace,	25	24
Grand Larceny,	5	1
Petit Larceny,	16	14
Rec. Stolen Goods,	6	—
Burglary,	6	—
Furnishing Liquor,	2	1
House of Illfame,	1	1
Lewdness,	1	1
Vagrancy,	3	3
Non-Support,	1	1
Loitering about R. R.,	1	1
Violating City Ordinances,	2	2
Old Mittimus,	6	—
Truancy,	4	4

The fees from the above arrests amount to \$866.90 deducted from that amount should be for board and jailor's fee \$133.28; for mileages \$116.94; for assistance \$19.00; for officers' expenses \$25.97; for hack work \$12.75; making a total

of \$307.94; leaving \$558.96 which amount goes to the City Treasurer. The City has paid the police for the year \$1,300.00; deducting the \$558.96 will make a net cost to the City for the police force for the year \$742.04.

Several stores have been found unlocked at night and the proprietors notified. A number of horses suffering from cold and exposure have been taken from the streets, placed in stables and cared for, and the owner called upon to settle the bills.

I have acted as truant officer, which requires considerable time, without extra cost to the city.

All street lights have been looked after and reported monthly. The City has received a rebate since last August of about \$50.00 from said reports.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. MAHONEY,

Chief of Police.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.

To the Honorable City Council:

All matters of threatened litigation have been adjusted without suit to February 1st, 1907, and the city is to be congratulated on not having any litigation now pending in court.

The legal services for the city for the past fiscal year have amounted to \$166.67.

Upon my resignation, Elmer Johnson took the oath as my successor January 31st.

NATHAN N. POST,

City Attorney.

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The Board of License Commissioners respectfully reports that after public hearing duly held according to law on April 19th, 1906, and without objection in any case, licenses were granted as follows:

First-class to J. J. Thompson, Owen Marron and Dennis Gilmore.

Second-class to Neil E. Lynch and Thomas Roach.

Fifth-class to John E. Welch.

Your commissioners are of the opinion that all the above licensees have endeavored to conduct their business in accordance with the law and in a decent and orderly manner. The board has caused all cases of illegal selling reported to it to be carefully investigated, and is of the opinion that the law is quite as well observed here as can be expected in any community of the size.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. ROYCE,	}	<i>Commissioners.</i>
JOHN W. RYAN,		
CHAS. E. MARCHESSAULT,		

UNITED STATES DEPOSIT FUND.

The interest due December 15th, A. D., 1906, was promptly paid by the City of St. Albans, Vt., on Warrant No. 258, \$12,147.66 and handed over to the Treasurer of said City for the use of schools. On and after the 10th day of June next it is expected that the rate of interest will be changed to 5 per cent., and said interest will be called for by the Treasurer of the State of Vermont.

F. J. HOUGHTON,
Trustee.

City of St. Albans, Vt., February 1, 1907.

FRANKLIN COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

H. M. STEVENS IN ACCOUNT WITH

FRANKLIN COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

1907.

Dr.

Jan.	22	To collected on land rents for year,	\$150.00
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Jan.	22	Paid postage and salary,	\$ 7.00
		Paid B. M. Hopkins, Treasurer,	143.00
			<hr/> \$150.00.

REPORT OF CHIEF ENGINEER.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the City Council of the City of St. Albans, Vermont:

I herewith submit my report as Chief Engineer of the St. Albans Fire Department, for the year ending January 31, 1907.

The department consists of twenty-six members, officered and made up as follows:—

TO NOV. 15-1906.

Chief Engineer—A. W. Coote.

First Assistant Engineer—Geo. P. Derick.

Second Assistant Engineer—Chas. W. Buckley.

FROM NOV. 15-1906.

Chief Engineer—Geo. P. Derick.

First Assistant Engineer—Chas. W. Buckley.

Second Assistant Engineer—Frank E. McArthur.

Three permanent men and twenty call men.

Attached you will find statements giving the number of alarms, causes of alarms, work done by department while at fires, expenditures, report of alarm system; also, recommendations for improvements in the department.

FIRE ALARMS.

There were 27 box alarms and 38 still alarms, making a total of 65 alarms answered during the year, an increase of 2 alarms over the preceding year.

ALARMS SINCE ST. ALBANS BECAME A CITY.

	Still.	Box.	Total
March 3, 1897, to Jan. 31, 1898,	8	25	33
February 1, 1898, to Jan. 31, 1899,	9	26	35
February 1, 1899, to Jan. 31, 1900,	12	25	37
February 1, 1900, to Jan. 31, 1901,	13	18	31
February 1, 1901, to Jan. 31, 1902,	22	21	43
February 1, 1902, to Jan. 31, 1903,	27	19	46
February 1, 1903, to Jan. 31, 1904,	40	14	54
February 1, 1904, to Jan. 31, 1905,	34	22	56
February 1, 1905, to Jan. 31, 1906,	31	32	63
February 1, 1906, to Jan. 31, 1907,	38	27	65

CAUSE OF ALARMS FOR 1906-7.

Chimney,	26	Fire place,	1
Smoking,	1	Lamp exploson,	3
Incendiary,	1	Spontaneous combustion,	7
Thawing water-pipes,	1	False,	2
Over-heated stovepipe,	8	Electric light wires crossed,	2
Children playing with matches,	7	Sparks from an engine,	2
Unknown,	4	Total,	65

Bills have been approved amounting to \$4,024.85. The following statement will show how this amount is arrived at:—

Salaries Permanent Men,	\$2,078.64
Call Men,	247.65
Repairs to Station,	49.45
Repairs to Apparatus,	12.50
Repairs to Fire Alarm,	53.03
Telephone,	34.34
Electric Light,	67.80
Gas,	22.24
Shoeing,	45.96
Supplies for Station,	110.77
New Equipment,	605.00
Feed, Hay, Straw,	292.43
Veterinary,	5.00
Horse Hire,	20.00
Fuel,	264.80
Washing,	21.80
Sundries,	11.30
General Supplies,	16.98
Printing and Stationery,	11.19
Express and Cartage,	11.71
Supplies Fire Alarm,	42.26
Total,	—————\$4,024.85

The following table shows the work done by the department for the year:

Number of alarms,	65
Direct cost for all alarms,	\$281.05
Average cost per fire,	\$4.32
Hose laid,	10,050
Water used at fires,	.19

Hydrants used,	17
Gallons of chemical,	126
Members present,	350
Actual time at fires,	40h-9m.
Average time per alarm,	37m.
Average pay for call men,	\$12.38

Salaries of the permanent men have been increased to fifty dollars (\$50.00) a month.

A horse was purchased to take the place of the old white horse, (Joe), which was considered unfit for service.

Five hundred feet of new hose, two Eastman nozzles and a Callahan shut off nozzle have been added to the equipment.

The line has been rebuilt on Main Street from Lake Street to Welden Street, and from Congress Street to Newton Street. Boxes 21 and 23 have been placed on the west side of Main Street.

INVENTORY—ST. ALBANS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

DORMITORY.

8 Iron Beds	16 Gas-lamp Shades
8 Mattresses	15 Electric Light Shades
10 Bed Spreads	3 Porcelain Shades
11 Single Blankets	3 Ruggs
8 Double Blankets	17 Gas Range
9 Pillows	1 Mop Pail
17 Pillow Slips	1 Mop
19 Towels	1 Mop Wringer
2 Quilts	1 Broom
7 Arm Chairs	1 Floor Brush
23 Common Chairs	1 Trumpet
1 Desk Chair	1 Thermometer
1 Roll-top Desk	3 Gongs
1 Large Table	9 Pairs Rubber Boots
1 Clock	2 Screen Doors
7 Gas Lamps	12 Dry Chemicals
1 Desk Lamp	9 Cuspidors

FIRE ALARM ROOM.

1	Circuit Repeater	3	Glass Gas Shades
1	Slate Switch Board	4	Glass E. L. Shades
1	Old Wooden Switch Board	5	Porcelain Shades
3	Switch-board Wrenches	1	8-inch Air Whistle
94	Battery Cells, (in use.)	1	Volt Meter
11	Battery Cells, (extra.)	1	10,000 Ohm Magnito
1	Whistle Puller	3	Large Fuses
1	Winding Handle	5	Small Fuses
1	Water Wheel	11	Fuse Blocks
2	Extra Nozzles for same	6	Dynamo Brushes
1	Dynamo	1	Dry Chemical
1	3-inch Pulley	1	Set Magnets
1	Rheostat	1	Thermometer
1	Water Gage	1	Leather Belt
1	Air Gage		

OUTSIDE STATION

12	Miles No. 10 Wire (iron) all in use	1	Bell Striker
28	Fire Alarm Boxes	1	Indicator
		4	Tappers

APPARATUS FLOOR.

3	Horses	21	Spanners
1	Set Double Harness	9	Ladder Straps
2	Set Single Harness	17	Spanner Belts
2	Hose Wagons	7	Lanterns
1	Chief's Wagon	11	Hydrant Wrenches
1	Hose Sleigh	1	Pair Plyers
1	Chief's Sleigh	1	Pair Connectors
1	Ladder Truck	1	Come-a-long and Grip
1	65-ft. Extension Ladder	3,500	feet good Hose
1	40-ft. Extension Ladder	650	feet poor Hose
1	20-ft. Extension Ladder	1	Indicator and Gong
1	24-ft. Plain Ladder	1	Clay Trip
1	18-ft. Plain Ladder	1	Howard Regulator Clock
1	12-ft. Roof Ladder	21	Rubber Coats
1	16-ft. Combination Ladder	14	Pairs Rubber Boots
1	Step Ladder	2	Pairs Climbers
6	Special Nozzles	100	feet Garden Hose
8	Long Brass Nozzles	2	Barn Blankets
3	Rotary Gongs	11	Porcelain E. L. Shades
1	Strike Gong	1	Air Gage
1	Deluge Set	3	Street Blankets
2	Siamese with Valves	2	Whips
1	Siamese (Plain)	5	Bridles

4	Hydrant Gates	1	Pair Clippers
2	Copper Hose Jackets	2	Curry Combs
1	Plaster Hook	2	Brushes
1	Door Opener	4	Pails
5	Axes	2	Brooms
11	3-Gallon Extinguishers	2	Mops
100	Feet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch Rope	2	Wagon Jacks
50	Feet $\frac{3}{4}$ inch Rope	1	Shovel
5	Ladder Dogs	2	Forks
2	Crow Bars	1	Harness Punch
4	Harness Hangers	1	Set Pulleys and Rope
22	Metal Hats	1	Stilson Wrench
1	Vaden-Bader Helmet	2	Door Chains

CELLAR

1	Strap and Vice	1	Soldering Torch
2	Saws	50	Lbs. B. C. Soda
1	Chisel	4	Qts. Sulphuric Acid
1	Square	1	10-inch Steam Whistle
1	Draw Shave	1	6-inch steam Whistle
1	Bit Brace	$\frac{1}{2}$	Mile Wire, (Old)
1	Set Bits	$\frac{1}{4}$	Mile Wire, (New)
2	Monkey Wrenches	1	Hand Axe
1	Lag Wrench	1	Set Runners
1	3-Gallon Oil Can	105	Battery Jars
3	Snow Shovels, (Wooden)	105	Battery Zincs
1	Snow Shovel, (Iron)	50	Old Coppers
1	Coal Scoop	1	Stilson Wrench
75	Glass Insulators	1	Compressed Air Plant, Air
20	Risers and Arms		Pump, Water Wheel, Regu-
15	Oak Pins		lators, and Storage Tanks.

I beg to submit the following recommendations covering the need of the department:—

Five hundred feet of standard hose should be bought the coming year. Of the 4,150 feet on hand, 2,550 have out-grown its guarantee.

Four thousand dollars should be appropriated to cover the actual running expenses of the department for the coming year.

A special appropriation should be made for the purchase of all new equipment.

The Chief Engineer should be a member of the permanent force, with residence in fire station, and should receive a salary equal to the salary paid Chief Engineers by the cities of the size of St. Albans.

I want to bring to the attention of the Council the need of more fire alarm boxes; the *great* need of a chemical engine, and a good ladder truck.

The new Council should take up the matter of the location of poles and wires in the city at the earliest opportunity. The net of wires on all the business streets should be removed as it is a serious obstacle in time of fire to the successful working of the department.

The New Council should appoint a Wire Inspector, and a Tree Warden.

Respectfully submitted by

GEO. P. DERICK,

Chief Engineer.

CHAS. W. BUCKLEY,

F. E. McARTHUR,

Assistant Engineers

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS AND WATER.

*To His Honor the Mayor, and the City Council of the City of
St. Albans:*

The following is respectfully submitted as the annual report
of streets and water for the year ending January 31st, 1907.

STREETS.

The work on streets did not begin until April 22nd, when the
Road Machine was used on all dirt streets with fair results. All
stone roads were scraped twice during the summer. Two pieces
of stone road have been built during the past season; one on Lake
Street, from Cedar Street to City limits, a distance of 1,450 feet.
16 feet in width on the north side of track, and the south side re-
coated for the same distance, at a cost of \$1,176.50, made up as
follows:

Labor and roller,	\$ 161.50
812 tons crushed stone,	1,015.00

On Fairfield Street, from City limits, 512 feet west, and 20
feet in width, with stone gutters and side stone. It was necessary
to dig a ditch 4 feet in depth and 2 feet in width in center of
road and fill with cobble stone for underground drainage.

Cost of this road was \$633.00 as follows :

Labor and roller,	\$228.00
Cobble stones,	15.00
312 tons crushed stone,	390.00

Four hundred and fifty tons of crushed stone were used in repairing the old road on North and South Main, Fairfield, Lake and Allen Streets.

WATER.

No new mains were laid this season. The water pipes were flushed twice during the summer. New gates were placed as follows :

One at the corner of Pine and Pearl Streets.

One at the corner of High and Congress Streets.

One at the corner of Thomas and Fairfield Streets.

New "Corey" hydrants were placed at the corner of Prospect and Congress, Bishop and High, Hoyt and Federal Streets, and on Lake Street opposite the Central House, and one "Boston" hydrant on Deal Street.

We had during the year 47 leaks, all but four of which were joints, one on the twelve inch main cement, at Holyoke's; one on the three inch cement, at Bishop Street, and two on the four inch cement, South Main Street; also one on the twelve inch main, Thorp Avenue.

Twenty-seven new curb cocks were put in place of old ones; ten new connections for water were put in during the year, and eighteen house connections were renewed; these connections were laid with black iron pipes, years ago.

I would recommend that iron pipes be laid on South Main Street from Welden to Nason Street; Bishop from Smith to Thomas Street. These pipes are in very poor shape and should be put in as early this spring as possible.

RESERVOIRS.

In addition to the usual care:

Repairs were made to the highway bridge and to the overflow to the old reservoir, and also 2,500 cubic yards of muck and algae cleaned out; the old well house was also repaired, at a total cost of \$658.50.

I would recommend that this work be continued until finished, and would also recommend that a sixteen inch pipe line be laid from the upper reservoir to the main pipe, below old reservoir Gate House.

Record of amount of water in reservoirs each month from Jan. 1, 1906, to Feb. 1, 1907.

	Lower Reservoir.	Upper Reservoir.
January 1, 1906,	23 feet 2 inches.	23 feet 4 inches.
February 1, 1906,	23 feet 2 inches.	24 feet 4 inches.
March 1, 1906,	23 feet 4 inches.	23 feet 6 inches.
April 1, 1906,	23 feet 5 inches.	23 feet 3 inches.
May 1, 1906,	24 feet 5 inches.	24 feet 11 inches.
June 1, 1906,	23 feet 6 inches.	24 feet 9 inches.
July 1, 1906,	22 feet 8 inches.	25 feet 0 inches.
August 1, 1906,	22 feet 4 inches.	24 feet 6 inches.
September 1, 1906,	19 feet 6 inches.	23 feet 0 inches.
October 1, 1906,	10 feet 8 inches.	22 feet 2 inches.
November 1, 1906,	9 feet 0 inches.	19 feet 7 inches.
December 1, 1906,	20 feet 0 inches.	17 feet 4 inches.
January 1, 1907,	22 feet 6 inches.	13 feet 2 inches.
February 1, 1907,	22 feet 8 inches.	20 feet 2 inches.

Record of rain-fall each month from January 1, 1906, to February 1, 1907:

January, 1906,	0 inches 9 tenths.
April, 1906,	4 inches 9 tenths.
May, 1906,	10 inches 6 tenths.
June, 1906,	13 inches 2 tenths.
July, 1906,	18 inches 2 tenths.
August, 1906,	6 inches 0 tenths
September, 1906,	6 inches 7 tenths.
October, 1906,	7 inches 2 tenths.
November, 1906,	6 inches 7 tenths.
December, 1906,	1 inch 3 tenths.
January, 1907,	2 inches 3 tenths.
	— —
	78 inches 0 tenths.

Equal total rain-fall, 6 feet 6 inches.

SEWERS.

The Water Street sewer gave much trouble, during the year, and I would recommend that a new sewer be laid of a larger size and better grade.

The following new sewers were laid:

One hundred and ninety feet, 10 inch tile, on Farrar Street, east of Messenger Street at a cost of \$79.80, as follows:

190 feet of 10 inch tile,	\$47.50
Labor, tools and teaming,	32.30

Four hundred and one feet on Lake Street at a cost of \$160.40, as follows:

185 feet of 10 inch tile,	\$44.40
216 feet of 8 inch tile, (no charge), labor	
and tools,	116.00

The 216 feet of 8 inch tile were taken up and re-laid.
New catch basins have been placed as follows:

Four on South Main Street.
Five on Lake Street.
Three on Russell Street.
One on Fairfield Street.
One on Prospect Street.
One on Rugg Street.

WALKS.

No new walks were built this season. Old plank walks were taken up on Farrar, Diamond, Upper Welden, and Russell Streets. These walks were graded and a coating of No. 1 stone put on. Walks on Cedar, North Cedar and Huntington Streets had a gravel dressing.

PARK.

In addition to the usual care, all the seats were painted; all the walks given a dressing of No. 1 stone, and a number of dead branches were cut down.

MORTON LEDGE.

During the first of the season, \$525.00 was spent in repairs to the crusher engine, buildings, and steam drill, and with a new pair of jaws, the plant is in fair shape. There were crushed, the

past season 1,814 tons, and enough quarried to make 600 tons when crushed. The total cost for crushing was \$1,360.50, as follows:

Labor,	\$980.60
Coal,	198.75
Powder, fusees and dynamite,	181.15

In closing:

The barn and sheds on Federal Street are not in the best of repair. During the year, a fence was built, enclosing the lot; the old sheds and also the barn were repaired, at a cost of \$125.00. The barn needs more repairs.

I would recommend the building of a new barn, back of the City Hall, using the present yard for the stowing of sewer and water pipes, as carload lots can be unloaded from the side-track in yard.

Allow me, at this time to extend to you all, my thanks for the kindness and favors shown during the year.

I am your obedient servant,

E. H. FORTIN,

Supt. Streets and Water.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

Cancelled bonds of the Village of St. Albans which have been paid during the past year are :

Bonds of 1890, Nos. 81 to 85 inclusive,	\$5,000.00
Bonds of 1890, Nos. 76 to 80 inclusive,	5,000.00
Bonds of 1892, Nos. 61 to 70 inclusive,	5,000.00
Bonds of 1894, Nos. 123 to 124 inclusive,	2,000.00
Bonds of 1896, No. 10,	1,000.00
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	\$18,000.00

Interest coupons paid during the past year and duly cancelled are :

Village bonds of 1890,	\$ 800.00
Town bonds of 1890,	262.50
Village bonds of 1892,	1,120.00
Village bonds of 1894,	880.00
School bonds of 1896,	640.00
Town hall bonds of 1897,	1,400.00
Public improvement bonds of 1903,	280.00
Public improvement bonds, of 1904,	280.00
Public improvement bonds, of 1905,	280.00
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	\$5,942.50

We have verified all bonds and coupons specified in the foregoing list and destroyed the same by burning.

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find no errors.

A. C. S. BEEMAN,
A. W. ROBINSON,

City Auditors.

JOINT AUDITORS' REPORT.

Of the town bonds of 1890 there have been paid during the past year Nos. 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, \$1,000 each, \$5,000.00.

All interest to January 1, 1907, has been paid as represented by \$252.50 in cancelled coupons found in the city treasurer's hands.

We have destroyed the coupons by burning and left the paid bonds duly cancelled in the office of the city treasurer.

A. W. ROBINSON,
A. C. S. BEEMAN,

City Auditors.

GEORGE DUNSMORE,
NELSON GOODSPEED,

Town Auditors.

Annual Report
of the
Board of School Commissioners.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Ward 1. GUY F. BARKER.
Ward 2. WILLIAM H. FINN.
Ward 3. ALEXANDER TUSCANY.
Ward 4. S. HALSTED WATKINS.
Ward 5. HARDY L. REYNOLDS.
Ward 6. GEORGE W. LEPPER.

ORGANIZATION.

Chairman:

S. HALSTED WATKINS.

Clerk:

B. MELVIN HOPKINS.

Committee on Teachers:

S. HALSTED WATKINS.
GUY F. BARKER.
HARDY L. REYNOLDS.

Committee on Finance:

GUY F. BARKER.
HARDY L. REYNOLDS.
GEORGE W. LEPPER.

Committee on Buildings:

ALEXANDER TUSCANY.
GEORGE W. LEPPER.
WILLIAM H. FINN.

Committee on Supplies:

WILLIAM H. FINN.
ALEXANDER TUSCANY.
GEORGE W. LEPPER.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

To The Mayor and City Council of St. Albans, Vt.:

Gentlemen: We herewith submit our annual report for the year ending January 31st, 1907. After two and one-half years of valuable service, in December last, Mr. Frank J. Sagendorph resigned his position as principal and supervisor of the city schools. Such request for release in the midst of the school year was earnestly deprecated but considering the fact that a lucrative position in a publishing house in New York had been offered to Mr. Sagendorph, we regretfully accepted the resignation to take effect on January 1st, provided that a successor could be secured by that time.

The Board took immediate steps to fill the vacancy. It was agreed that we would continue the policy inaugurated in 1904, and the Teachers' Committee was requested to search for an able schoolman, with experience in supervising. Final choice was made of Mr. James A. Ayers, Supt. of Schools in Stockbridge, Mass. He was nominated and unanimously elected to fill the unexpired term at a salary of \$2,000 a year. Mr. Ayers entered upon his duties on January 2d. Coming to our city with a thorough training and varied experience he is prepared to carry on our school work along the modern lines laid down by his predecessor.

For a fair minded man there can be no question that progress was made under Mr. Sagendorph. He was especially successful as an administrator, displaying an executive power of no mean

order in modernizing our educational system and unifying the work, and he has left the schools in a much better condition than he found them. We believe that under the new principal there will be further improvement and progress.

In justification of the action of the board in again electing an expert supervisor, we beg leave to quote from the law passed by the General Assembly of the State at its recent session, the Act (No. 45) is one which provides that, (Section 1.) "Any two or more neighboring towns, having an aggregate of not more than seventy nor less than thirty schools of not less than twenty-eight weeks each, may, by vote of the school directors of the several towns, unite to form a union for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools under the provisions of this act, except as hereinafter provided for Grand Isle county. An incorporated district may be considered a town for the purpose of forming a union with other towns under the provisions of this act. A town or incorporated district maintaining thirty or more individual schools may be individually considered a union for the purposes of this act if the school board thereof so elects. The number of school directors, acting for a town or incorporated district forming a union, shall not exceed three, when such union consists of two or more towns."

The third section provides that, "Whenever the chairman and secretary of such joint committee certify, under oath to the state treasurer, that a union has been effected as provided in this act, and that the towns unitedly have raised by taxation, appropriated and paid in any one year, a sum not less than twelve hundred and fifty dollars as a salary for a superintendent of schools, and that under the provisions of this act a superintendent has been employed for one year, the state treasurer shall apportion the sum of one thousand dollars among the several towns forming the union according to their grand lists and shall pay the sums so apportioned upon the approval of the superintendent

of education to the several treasurers of such towns, and said treasurers shall place such sums to the credit of their respective school fund. If the superintendent of any town which alone constitutes a union spends any part of his time in teaching, such town shall receive from the state treasurer such portion of one thousand dollars as the time spent by him as superintendent bears to his whole time but such sum so paid by the state shall in no case exceed five hundred dollars."

Such action on the part of the General Assembly is strong testimony in favor of our policy, and whether the next board does, or does not, take steps to combine with the town of St. Albans for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the new law, that law is sufficient witness to the importance of careful supervision.

There have been only two changes in our corps of teachers. Miss Vesta Lawton, who taught music and drawing in the grammar grades, resigned and was succeeded by Miss Eleanor Thomas. Miss Marion Torrey, (Grade 3, Messenger Street,) also resigned. Her successor is Miss Ruth Reynolds.

In September last it was found necessary to make a change in the janitorship of the Messenger Street School. Mr. Henry Coleman was appointed to the position. The work of the janitors is efficient and satisfactory. The buildings are well cared for and the school property kept in excellent order.

In the fall the Board leased a piece of land at the rear of the Barlow Street property in order to make the lot large enough for athletic purposes. The annual rental is \$20.00. A small amount was expended in leveling the eastern end, but a great deal of work remains to be done before the field will be in good condition for base ball and other games. The City should provide such an athletic field for the use of our young men and boys. Last spring the base ball team had to play its games in Swanton. In this connection we note with gratification the organization of

the Alumni Association of the High School. We are sure that the members will gladly co-operate in furthering the projects for the improvement of the schools and for increasing the interest of the pupils.

We cordially welcome your suggestion about a night school. No doubt there is a large number of young men and women, as well as some of middle age, who did not have, or did not appreciate school privileges, and now would be glad to avail themselves of an opportunity for further study. We trust that it will be feasible to arrange for a term of ten or twelve weeks in the near future.

During the year a comparatively small amount of repairing has been done. At the Academy, the stairways to the high school were painted and the coat-room was divided by a wooden partition, thus separating the sections used by the boys and the girls. The south room on the ground floor also has been divided and the rear room is now occupied by the seventh grade of the grammar school. New black-boards were provided for the south-east room on the second floor used by high school classes in mathematics. For the Elm Street School single seats were made from the same number of old double seats, and 47 new single seats were purchased. The building is now fully furnished with single seats.

We most earnestly recommend that the exterior and interior woodwork of the Barlow and Messenger Street school buildings be painted and the walls be calsomined, and painted. The plumbing in these buildings should be modernized and the closets connected with the city sewers, thus doing away with the present stack system. The old staircase which projects into the Sixth Grade room in the Academy should be torn out and the entrance used by the pupils of this grade. The partition on the north side of the high school room should be torn out, a new straight partition constructed further out in the room and the space now

included in the three small rooms, used for two or three large rooms, which would be suitable and convenient for high school purposes. At present it is almost impossible to conduct the recitations of the large classes in the rooms that are small and badly ventilated.

We urge the city to buy the lot in the rear of the Elm Street school building. The need of a play-ground for the children of that school has been recognized for a number of years, and the lot may now be purchased at a very low figure. It would then be possible to make the front of the property much more attractive as an entrance. It may be well to add that a part of the purchase price would be returned in arrears of taxes.

In making these recommendations we are well aware that they cannot be carried out unless a special appropriation is voted by the City. The whole amount of money available for school purposes is none too large for running expenses alone. Indeed there will have to be a considerable increase of income if the Board is to maintain the present standard of teaching. We have been peculiarly fortunate in securing well trained and competent instructors on comparatively small salaries. In the high school the average is \$600; in the grammar grades \$400; in the lower grades \$360. These salaries are inadequate, and it is not to be expected that the Board can continue to command the services of satisfactory teachers unless it offers more just compensation.

In our judgment the best way to increase the income will be to have the City Charter amended so that 50 per cent. (instead of 45 per cent.) of the Grand List will be available for school purposes. It is probable that, when the Charter was drawn, there was every prospect that the Grand List would increase year by year, giving a larger fund for schools as the needs grew larger. But this has not been the case. Therefore a larger percentage should be set apart. Of course the Charter cannot be amended until the General Assembly convenes in 1908. In the meantime

the money needed for large repairs and special equipment should be provided by special appropriation, and we earnestly beg that the Council insert an article in the warning for the next annual meeting of the City, asking whether the voters will grant the School Board \$1,000 to carry out the above recommendations.

A radical departure has been made in purchasing fuel. In past years it has been the custom to provide coal and wood sufficient for only a part of the year (September to March), thereby making it necessary for the new Board to buy additional supplies at winter prices. On March 1, 1906, there were about sixty-seven tons of coal and five cords of wood on hand. Before the close of the school year we were compelled to buy $10\frac{3}{4}$ tons at \$7.50, and $20\frac{1}{2}$ tons at \$7.25, besides two cords of wood, at a total cost of \$249.84. Therefore in the interest of economy, it was decided to contract for a sufficient supply for the entire school year, September to June. In June the contract was made for the delivery of 252 tons of Lehigh coal and 20 tons of Connell Free Burning coal before the opening of the fall term. The prices paid were, \$7.20 for Lehigh stove (52 tons); \$7.00 for Lehigh grate (200 tons) and \$6.50 for Connell Free Burning coal (20 tons). The Board also bought 16 cords of wood at \$6.75 a cord. It is estimated that we now have on hand,

At the Academy,	50 tons.
At the Elm Street School,	29 tons
At the Barlow Street School,	33 tons
At the Messenger Street School,	30 tons

142 tons

besides $8\frac{1}{2}$ cords of wood. For this fuel the credit figured at contract price in our assets is \$1,000. We believe that this new plan will commend itself to the council and to the people of the City generally, and we urge our successors to adopt it.

We would call attention to the Principal's report and the Table of Statistics appended thereto.

At present the number of pupils attending the several schools is:

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
High School,	51	56	107
Academy, Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8,	124	124	248
Elm Street,	85	77	162
Barlow Street,	82	68	150
Messenger Street,	87	62	149
Kindergarten, Academy,	24	22	46
Kindergarten, Elm Street,	6	18	24
Grand total,	459	427	886

To this report there is added a financial statement of all receipts and expenditures, and the sources with amounts of income. You will notice the unusual sum paid for insurance. The explanation of this item is that a large number of policies had to be renewed during the year. The insurance renewed was: on the Academy, \$2,500; on the Messenger Street building, \$9,000; on the Barlow Street building, \$9,500; with total premiums of \$445.28. In addition there was an assessment of \$58.96, making the cost of insurance for the year \$504.24.

In closing our report it gives us pleasure to testify to the faithful and devoted work of our teachers. We have a corps in which there is abundant ability, general harmony and a lively interest in every effort for the betterment of the schools. We ask for Mr. Ayers and his assistants, one and all, the hearty support and sympathy of every one who has the welfare of our children at heart. It is the right, nay more, it is the duty of parents and other citizens to criticize the Board of School Com-

missioners and the individual teachers, employed by them, but we submit that such criticism should be reasonable and kindly, and it cannot be either reasonable or kindly if it is based on hearsay or the reports of boys and girls, who are prone to exaggerate and frequently, though unintentionally, misrepresent the facts. On several occasions during the past year the Board has been unjustly faulted and teachers severely blamed because the critics had not correct information, which might easily have been obtained. Helpful criticism must be based on personal knowledge of the work and the discipline. We, therefore, urge upon the people of the City their *duty* to take a personal interest and to visit the schools. When that duty is performed there will be less condemnation and more commendation.

Respectfully submitted,

S. HALSTED WATKINS, *Chairman*,
G. F. BARKER,
W. H. FINN,
A. TUSCANY,
H. L. REYNOLDS,
G. W. LEPPER,

School Commissioners.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Board of School Commissioners:

Gentlemen: Your Finance Committee herewith submits its annual report showing the receipts and expenditures from February 1, 1906, to January 31, 1907, and the assets and liabilities on February 1, 1907. There is appended a statement of the sources and amounts of funds (excluding the balance from last year) available for the support of the schools of the city, 1906-1907.

RECEIPTS.

Balance cash on hand, February 1, 1906,	\$ 164.74
Balance from School Funds, 1905-6,	1,150.12
Amount drawn by requisition School Funds, 1906-07,	19,262.74
Sundry cash, sale of books, etc.,	45.99
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	\$20,623.59

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries of teachers, February, 1906,	\$1,318.63
Janitors and cleaning, February, 1906,	155.00
Lights, February, 1906,	11.97
Incidentals, February, 1906,	34.74

Current expenses (from March 1, 1906, to February 1, 1907.)

Salaries of teachers,	\$12,435.36
Janitors and cleaning,	2,011.10
Repairs,	360.22
Fuel,	2,269.18
Incidentals,	124.34
Supplies,	662.31
Insurance,	504.24
Lights,	60.23
Rents,	20.00
Balance cash on hand January 31, 1907,	656.27
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	\$20,623.59

ASSETS.

Cash on hand February 1, 1907,	\$ 656.27
Fuel,	1,000.00
Tuitions unpaid,	512.00
Balance due from School Funds,	74.00
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	\$2,242.27

LIABILITIES.

Pay roll, February, 1907,	\$1,500.00
Sundry bills to March 8, 1907, estimated,	50.00
Balance, assets over liabilities,	692.27
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	\$2,242.27

Sources and amounts of income for school purposes, 1906-07,
(exclusive of balance from previous year.)

45 per cent. Grand List, 1906,	\$16,522.84
State School Tax,	1,055.56
U. S. Deposit Fund,	728.86
Huntington Fund,	229.99
Rents, Grammar School Lands,	143.00
Tuitions,	1,000.00
Sundry cash, sale of books, etc.,	45.99
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	\$19,726.24

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. BARKER,
H. L. REYNOLDS,
G. W. LEPPER,

Finance Committee.

February 1st, 1907.

MESSENGER STREET SCHOOL.

Principal, Grades 1 and 5, - - - - Miss Mary E. White.
Grade 4 and 5, - - - - Miss Annie Tobin
" 3, - - - - Miss Ruth Reynolds
" 2, - - - - Miss Ella Foster
Supervisor of music and drawing - Miss Carrie L. Stevens
Kindergarten, Academy Building, - - Miss Mable Ellis
Substitute Teacher, - - - Miss V. Ellen Summerskill

STATISTICS OF ATTENDANCE FROM SEPTEMBER,
1905-JUNE, 1906.

SCHOOL	Registered Number	Average Number Belonging	Average Attendance	Days Attendance	Per Cent of Attendance	Per Cent of Tardiness	Average No Non-resi- dents
High School	139	123	114	20739	93%	1%+	25
Gram. School Grades 5-8	240	203	191	34495	94%	.002%	16
Elm Street Grades 1-5	252	183	167	28644	91%	.004%	6
Elm Street Kindergarten	32	27	24	4126	91%	.002%	0
Barlow Street Grades 1-4	169	134	125	21722	93%	.004%	7
Messenger St. Grades 1-4	150	130	119	20459	91%	.004%	4
Academy Kindergarten	47	33	29	5028	88%	.008%	0
Total for year 1905-1906	1029	833	769	135213	92%	.205%	58

AVERAGE NUMBER OF HOURS OF RECITATION PER WEEK.

PRESENT COURSES OF FOUR YEARS.	PROPOSED COURSES OF FIVE YEARS.
<p>Classical, 20.75 Latin-Scientific, 20.5 to 21.25 English-Scientific, 21.63 to 22.25.</p> <p>Classical Course.</p> <p>FIRST YEAR.</p> <p>5. English grammar: formal grammar; letter writing and development of sentence into paragraph. 5. Latin. 5. Arithmetic first half: Algebra second half three factors. 3. English history.</p> <p>18</p> <p>SECOND YEAR.</p> <p>5. English Composition: development of paragraph into essay. 5. Latin: composition and grammar. Translation of easy English into Latin. 5. Algebra completed. 5. Greek and Roman history.</p> <p>20</p> <p>THIRD YEAR.</p> <p>5. Rhetoric: study of different forms and elements; essays and debates. 5. Cæsar and composition. 5. Greek I, French I, or German I. 5. Geometry.</p> <p>20</p> <p>FOURTH YEAR.</p> <p>5. English and American literatures. 5. Cicero, Sallust and composition. 5. Xenophon, French II, or German II. 5. Solid Geometry and Higher Algebra.</p> <p>20</p> <p>FIFTH YEAR.</p> <p>5. College Entrance English. 5. Virgil. 5. Iliad, French III, or German III. 3. Civics and advanced U. S. history. 5. A third language.</p> <p>23</p>	<p>Classical, 20.2. Latin-Scientific, 19.2 to 20.2. English-Scientific, 21. Business English, 20.8.</p> <p>Latin-Scientific Course.</p> <p>FIRST YEAR.</p> <p>5. English grammar. 5. Arithmetic first half and Algebra second half. 5. Latin I. 3. English history.</p> <p>18</p> <p>SECOND YEAR.</p> <p>5. English composition. 5. Algebra complete. 5. Latin and composition. 3. Physical geography.</p> <p>18</p> <p>THIRD YEAR.</p> <p>5. Rhetoric. 5. Cæsar and composition. 5. French I, German I. 5. Geometry.</p> <p>20</p> <p>FOURTH YEAR.</p> <p>5. English and American literature. 5. Cicero and Sallust. 5. French II, German II. 5. Solid Geometry, higher year. 5.7 { or Physics† or Greek and Roman history.</p> <p>20-22</p> <p>FIFTH YEAR.</p> <p>5. College Entrance English. 5. Virgil. 5. French III or German III. 3. Civics and U. S. History (advanced) 7. Chemistry† (opt.)</p> <p>18-25</p> <p>† Either Physics or Chemistry must be taken.</p>

English-Scientific Course.**FIRST YEAR.**

- 5. English grammar.
- 5. Arithmetic first half; Algebra second half.
- 3. English history.
- 5. Mechanical Drawing.

18

SECOND YEAR.

- 5. English composition.
- 5. Algebra complete.
- 3. Physical geography.
- 5. German I.

18

THIRD YEAR.

- 5. Rhetoric.
- 5. Geometry.
- 5. French I or German II.
- 7. Zoology and Botany.

22

FOURTH YEAR.

- 5. English and American literatures.
- 5. French II or German III.
- 5. Solid Geometry and higher Algebra.
- 7. Physics.

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FIFTH YEAR.

- 5. College Entrance English.
- 5. Trigonometry.]
- 5. French III or Civics and advanced U. S. history.
- 7. Chemistry.
- 3. Civics.

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Business-English Course.**FIRST YEAR.**

- 5. English grammar.
- 5. Latin I.
- 5. Arithmetic first half; Algebra second half.
- 3. English history.

18

SECOND YEAR.

- 5. English composition.
- 5. Latin and composition.
- 5. Algebra completed.
- 3. Physical geography.

18

THIRD YEAR.

- 5. Rhetoric.
- 5. French I or German I.
- 5. Geometry.
- 5. Greek and Roman history.

20

FOURTH YEAR.

- 5. English and American literatures.
- 5. French II or German II.
- 5. Book-keeping.
- 5. Business arithmetic; Business forms, etc.

20

FIFTH YEAR.

- 5. College Entrance English.
- 5. French III or German III.
- 5. Commercial geography first half; Commercial law second half.
- 5. Stenography and typewriting.
- 3. Civics.
- 5. History of Commerce and Business Correspondence.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Commissioners:

Gentlemen: I have the honor of submitting to you my report in accordance with the yearly custom, although it will, of necessity, be brief, and an outline of suggestions rather than a resume of work accomplished during the fiscal year. That this has been considerable is evident from the course of study instituted, the *esprit du corps* among the teachers, and the unity of the work. Whatever suggestions I make now or during the year are not made with the idea of overturning or revolutionizing present conditions but with the idea of growth and development—a growth upon which my predecessor would have insisted had he remained. His last report showed him a school man who was not only alive to conditions but anxious and able to improve them wherever possible, and I gladly indorse his recommendations regarding manual training, equipment and physical culture.

To be of any real benefit, however, manual training must be well taught, and there should be a thoroughly equipped place for it: otherwise it degenerates into a fad. Therefore I should prefer that any action on this should be deferred until I am somewhat better acquainted with conditions here, and we know something more than we do at present of the means at our disposal.

The equipment in physics, botany, zoology and chemistry is inadequate for the best work in those subjects, yet, by adding each year, as our means will allow, we may obtain as good

laboratory facilities as are possible in the present building. The laboratories are too small to admit of many doing individual work at the same time. In case of large classes much of the laboratory work would have to be in the nature of demonstrations by the instructor.

The combining in one room in both the Barlow Street School and the Elm Street School of two grades, viz:—the fourth and the fifth—is an unsatisfactory condition in any city school. While, as I understand it, the condition in the former building was forced upon you last September by an unexpected influx of scholars from the Warner Home which necessitated a shifting of grades and some crowding in certain rooms, yet, even if a new teacher be needed, the condition should be improved before another school year. Because of the present demands for rapid as well as thorough work, one grade is sufficient for a teacher. Without question good work has been done under present conditions, but that is due to a more than average health, devotion, and ability on the part of the instructors. With but one grade under the same instructors much better work could be obtained.

Next September there will be, approximately, ninety-five pupils in the fifth grade. The present fifth grade room in the Academy has forty-seven seats—too large a number, by the way, for the size of the room. That would mean forty-eight pupils for another teacher, who could be placed in the present kindergarten room, the kindergarten being transferred to Miss Barnes' room and Miss Barnes taking one of the large high school recitation rooms on the second floor. This would crowd the high school considerably and it would be but a makeshift at best for only two years even with the improvements now planned by you for increasing the capacity of the high school recitation rooms on the third floor. By combining all three laboratories in the remaining large high school recitation room on the second floor and utilizing the two rooms now used for laboratories as small

class rooms, the severest economy of space can be practiced. The addition to the town of fifty families with from seventy-five to one hundred and fifty children is a serious problem under the circumstances and will necessitate an addition to the Academy within a short time.

TEACHERS.

The work in your city is, on the whole, good. I have been pleased with the general efficiency and faithfulness displayed by your teachers an efficiency and faithfulness which is far greater than one would expect from the small salaries they are receiving. We do not wish to see any decrease in the quality of the work accomplished. And so, that the standard may always remain high and in accordance with the best and the increasing requirements of the State, I ask that, for the guidance and the security of future Boards, you decide that your future policy in filling vacancies which may arise in the present corps of instructors will be to require that all high school teachers must be graduates of some college in good standing; that grammar school teachers must be graduates of some normal school; and that primary and kindergarten teachers must be graduates of either a normal school or of some recognized kindergarten school.

COURSE OF STUDY.

While the present course of study is an excellent one, it can be strengthened from time to time as circumstances permit, or conditions and healthful growth demand. In pursuance of such a policy I respectfully suggest that a history course be added to the present curriculum. This should consist of supplementary reading, in the fifth and the sixth grades, based on biography—such as the stories of great Americans and the makers of our

nation, stories which not only will be a foundation for more formal history but which will inspire patriotism. The history of Vermont should be taken up in the seventh grade and United States history in the eighth grade. There are some pupils who never enter a high school. These should receive training in the history of their state and their country.

The purchase of histories and supplementary readers for this course as well as for the purchase of sufficient readers to supply all pupils will mean an outlay of nearly five hundred dollars.

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

At the close of my report I submit, in addition to the table of statistics required, a new course of study for the high school. This, however, is intended to effect only those who enter in the fall for the first time. The present course will apply to all those who are now members of the school.

At first glance it might seem that the change from a four years' course to one of five years is a too radical departure from existing methods. Yet if we consider that at present a class is reduced, at the end of four years, to about 50 per cent. of the entering number, the rest either dropping out of school or taking five years to complete their work, and that this is due to the fact that present high school requirements are so exacting that many are not thoroughly prepared to carry on successfully rapid work, we can see that an added year of study and drill may be mental economy.

The proposed plan has a more thorough preparation in English, mathematics, and Latin in the first year which will mean a better foundation for the succeeding years. The average high school graduate is weak in English: the average Freshman unable to comprehend the principles of algebra rapidly enough to

complete elementary algebra in one year. In fact some colleges now expect a preparation of one and one-third years in algebra in order to meet entrance requirements, and nearly all colleges require an entrance examination in English from even those who are accepted on certificate. The proposed course gives one and one-half years to algebra, the first half of the Freshman year being given to a thorough drill in advanced arithmetic. An extra year is devoted to English grammar and elementary Latin. The additional year in the latter not only gives a more thorough preparation for advanced work in Caesar, Cicero, and Virgil but should enable the pupil to translate moderately difficult English into Latin. The additional year of study is seen therefore to be devoted chiefly to drill in the important foundation subjects. I feel that the extra time is really a saving in the end, for I should far prefer that the average, rather than the exceptional graduate should have an excellent foundation for both college and life than be handicapped by any lack of thoroughness in any part of his school curriculum.

BUSINESS COURSE.

In a place of this size and with the opportunity which this school has of drawing pupils from surrounding towns, I feel that it is essential that we give our pupils an opportunity for a course which, while thorough in every respect, could fit those who wish to enter business rather than college. Such a course I have outlined under the title "Business Course." It will be seen that this parallels the other courses for three years, the last two years being given up largely to business subjects. The boy who graduates from this course will do as hard work as one in any other. In his last year he will do harder work.

This plan has not been outlined with the idea that there should be a short, cheap course for incompetents. It is meant

for those who honestly desire something we do not at present give: who are willing and anxious to work hard: and who cannot afford the time for special training elsewhere. They will have the disciplinary and cultural subjects necessary for a broad foundation as well as the subjects which to them are the practical ones. A diploma in such a course will mean as much as a diploma in any other and will be as much of a credit to the pupil and to the school. The recipient of that diploma will be far better prepared to enter life than the average graduate of any business college. He will have the foundation of the cultural and disciplinary to be something more, when the opportunity comes, than a mere office machine.

The adoption of this plan will mean no additional expenditure until 1909, *unless there be a demand for it on the part of pupils now in the high school.* The extra cost in 1909 will be typewriting machines and an instructor in business subjects. A good instructor, in my opinion cannot be hired for less than one thousand dollars a year. If you decide to add this course you should spare us expense to make it excellent and thorough in every respect. Otherwise we shall be open to just criticism.

I think you for your cordial support during the brief time I have been here, and I trust that during the ensuing year we may together work earnestly for the best interests of those in our care.

Very respectfully,

JAMES A. AYERS,

Principal.

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